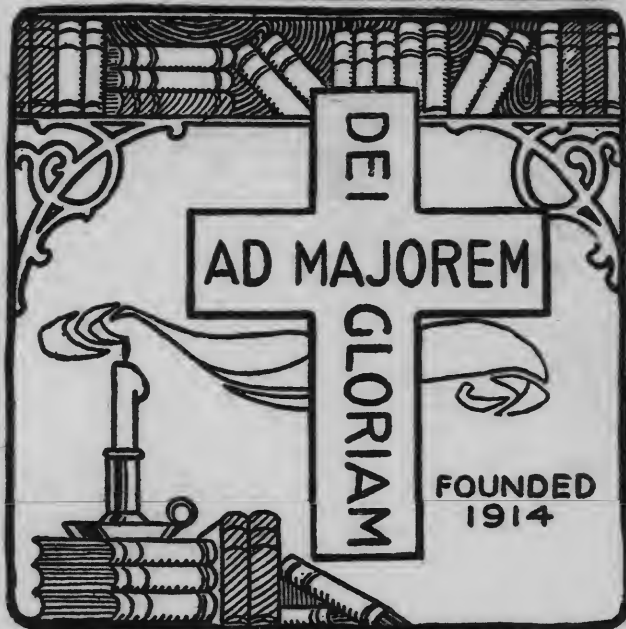


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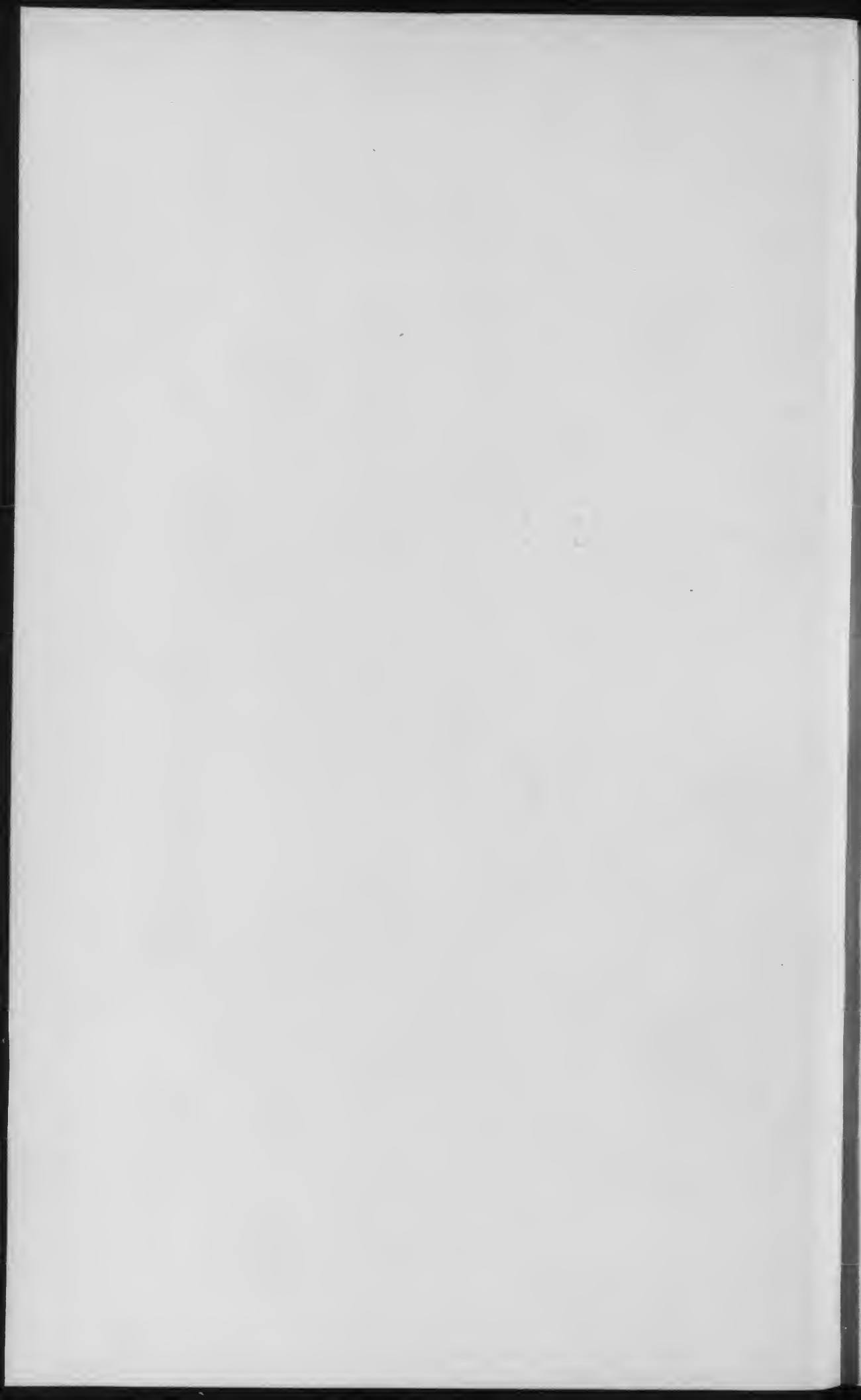
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Grice, E. C.....	Meridian, Miss.		

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Bradley, A. H.	Mott, N. A.
Bell, I. T.	Elliott, J. R.

ALTERNATES.

Enochs, I. C.	Bell, W. G.
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MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Watts, S. B.	Watts, Jas. E.
Brown, L. P.	Beeson, J. W.

ALTERNATES.

Hull, D. C.	Curtis, W. H.
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VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Holloman, T. A.	Kling, A. B.
Ellis, W. W.	Price, W. A.

ALTERNATES.

Harris, M. J.	Drake, E. S.
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SEASHORE DISTRICT.

McLeod, J. A.	Evans, T. M.
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FOREST DISTRICT.

Thornton, W. M.	Miller, Rev. Dr. I.
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ALTERNATES.

Harper, G. B.	Lindsey, Jorden A.
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Carruth, J. E.	Godbold, H. G.
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ALTERNATES.

Alford, Rev. N. E.	Brister, B. E.
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NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Jones, J. H.	Enochs, E. A.
Millsaps, H. G.	McGehee, H. B.

ALTERNATES.

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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

NATCHEZ, MISS., December 11, 1902.

The Eighty-ninth Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in the Sunday School Lecture Room of the Jefferson Street Church, Natchez, Miss., at 9 a. m., Thursday, Dec. 11, 1902, Bishop Joseph Key presiding.

The Bishop conducted the opening religious services, reading Philippians, 4th Chapter, and leading in prayer.

The roll of the Conference was called by A. F. Watkins, the Secretary of the last Conference, and the following clerical members answered to their names:

R. A. Sibley, Jno. A. B. Jones, H. P. Lewis, W. B. Lewis, E. H. Moun-
ger, Ira B. Robertson, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, F. M. Williams, R. D.
Norsworthy, J. W. Sandell, D. P. Bradford, J. S. Parker, J. W. McLaurin,
R. Bradley, D. C. Langford, T. B. Holloman, C. D. Cecil, C. A. Powell,
B. F. Jones, B. S. Rayner, W. W. Simmons, T. W. Brown, L. Carley, I. L.
Peebles, J. T. Nicholson, J. W. Chambers, E. F. Edger, A. D. Miller, T.
W. Adams, R. F. Witt, J. W. Brown, B. F. Lewis, M. H. Moore, A. F.
Watkins, T. L. Mellen, H. W. Featherstun, H. D. Howell, W. W. Morse,
Robert Selby, M. L. Burton, N. B. Harmon, J. M. Morse, G. H. Galloway,
W. L. Linfield, J. N. Ware, J. D. Crymes, J. G. Galloway, W. G. Forsyth,
H. M. Ellis, W. M. Sullivan, M. L. White, R. H. Barr, H. L. Norton, H.
Mellard, G. H. Thompson, B. W. Lewis, H. C. Brown, J. W. Crisler, J. C.
Ellis, G. R. Ellis, W. J. Ferguson, J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, H. B. Van-
denberg, J. M. Weems, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, H. W. VanHook, C. M.
Crossley, R. E. Rutledge, J. H. Foreman, P. D. Hardin, W. M. Williams, W.
W. Moore, G. W. Huff, W. C. Black, C. F. Emery, J. D. Ellis, M. M. Black,
H. G. Hawkins, R. A. Sibley, Jr., G. P. McKeown, M. A. Thurman, Jno. A.
Moore, W. A. Terry, J. J. Golden, L. E. Alford, H. J. Moore, G. S. Har-
mon, H. A. Gatlin, W. H. Lewis, J. W. Campbell, J. E. Carpenter, T. J.
O'Neil, T. H. King, J. R. Jones, V. D. Skipper, C. W. Crisler, F. A.
Grimes, W. H. Sanders, E. L. Alford, M. J. Miller.

The roll of lay members was called by districts, and the following were present:

Jackson District—N. A. Mott.

Meridian District—S. B. Watts, J. W. Beeson.

Seashore District—B. R. Blankenship.

Forest District—W. M. Thornton, Rev. I. Miller, P. L. Blackwell,
Oscar M. Abney.

Brookhaven District—H. G. Godbold.

Natchez District—E. A. Enochs, H. B. McGehee.

A. F. Watkins was elected Secretary, with the following assistants: Robert Selby, H. M. Ellis, G. S. Harmon, W. T. Griffin and T. B. Cottrell.

The following committees, nominated by the Presiding Elders, were elected by the Conference:

MEMOIRS—D. C. Langford, W. C. Black, E. H. Mounger, V. V. Boone, A. F. Watkins, J. S. Parker, I. L. Peebles.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—O. M. Abney, H. P. Lewis, W. H. Lewis, H. Mellard, C. C. Evans, M. A. Thurman, B. F. Lewis.

BIBLE CAUSE—W. W. Morse, T. B. Cottrell, H. L. Norton, P. H. Howse, J. H. Jones, T. M. Evans, R. Bradley.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—M. L. White, A. H. Bradley, H. R. Singleton, S. B. Watts, A. D. Miller, J. A. McLeod, J. A. B. Jones.

PUBLISHING INTERESTS—P. L. Blackwell, J. R. Jones, M. M. Black, J. W. Lewis, H. B. McGehee, T. J. O'Neil, M. L. Burton.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—L. E. Alford, M. H. Moore, W. W. Ellis, C. F. Emery, T. H. King, R. A. Sibley, Jr., G. H. Thompson.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS—W. J. Dawson, H. J. Moore, Geo. P. McKeown, G. A. Guice, W. G. Forsyth, G. H. Galloway, L. Carley.

TEMPERANCE—J. N. Ware, H. A. Gatlin, A. B. Kling, L. P. Brown, H. G. Millsaps, J. G. Galloway, E. F. Edgar.

PUBLIC WORSHIP—T. W. Adams, J. E. Carpenter, J. W. Brown, E. A. Enochs.

The hours for meeting and adjournment were fixed at 9 a. m. and 1:30 p. m.

Dr. C. F. Reid, of the China Mission Conference, and Mr. Henry Spencer, representing the Publishing House at Nashville, were introduced to the Conference, and Dr. Reid addressed the Conference in the interest of the Missionary work.

It was moved and seconded that after to-day's session the Conference hold its meetings in the Auditorium of the Church, and the motion prevailed.

Dr. W. B. Murrah, President of Millsaps College, was introduced and addressed the Conference in reference to the work of this important institution.

The following visiting brethren were introduced to the Conference: Rev. G. W. Bachman, the Colporteur of the North Mississippi Conference; Rev. J. M. Henry, of the Louisiana Conference; Rev. H. H. Ahrens, the staff correspondent of the New Orleans Picayune; Rev. G. B. Butler, pastor of the Baptist Church; Rev. J. J. Chisolm, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. A. S. J. Neal, of the Louisiana Conference.

Brother Bachman made a statement to the Conference relative to his work.

The report of Drs. Lambuth and Ward, the General Missionary Secretaries, was read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

The report of the Agents of the Publishing House was read by the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

The report of Dr. P. H. Whisner, the Secretary of Church Extension, was read and referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

On motion of N. B. Harmon the Conference ordered the reference of remaining communications to their respective committees without reading; and the report of the Secretary of the General Board of Education was referred to the Conference Board of Education; that of Dr. James Atkins, the Sunday School Secretary, to the Sunday School Board, and that of Dr. H. M. DuBose, the Epworth League Secretary, to the Epworth League Board.

J. W. Lewis, transferred from the Louisville Annual Conference, was introduced.

A communication from the Sunday League of America was referred to the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

A letter from the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, relative to the proposed Endowment Fund for Superannuated Preachers and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Preachers, was referred to the Joint Board of Finance.

A report from the President of the Mississippi State Epworth League Conference was referred to the Epworth League Board.

Question Twenty was called: "Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?" and the following Presiding Elders were passed in examination of character, and made their reports: J. M. Weems, T. B. Holloman, Thos. L. Mellen, W. W. Simmons, J. M. Morse and T. W. Adams.

The following were passed in examination of character and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuated Relation: J. A. Vance, R. A. Sibley, L. P. Meador, R. B. Downer, J. H. Evans, D. G. W. Ellis, T. W. Brown, W. W. Hurst, H. D. Howell, N. B. Young, H. R. Caldwell and P. Howard.

Brothers Sibley, Brown and Howell were present and made brief and touching statements, and letters were read from Brothers Downer and Meador.

The names of J. H. Holland, J. W. Harmon, R. J. Jones and J. P. Drake were called, and it was announced that they had died during the year.

The name of J. T. Nicholson was called, his character was passed and his Presiding Elder announced his readiness for work.

The character of J. W. McLaurin was passed and his name referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Supernumerary Relation.

J. G. Cammack was passed in examination of character and his name referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Supernumerary Relation.

The following were passed in examination of character and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuated Relation: W. G. Backus, R. L. Phillips and Ira B. Robertson.

The following were passed in examination of character and made their reports: C. W. Crisler, B. F. Lewis, J. W. Chambers, E. F. Edgar, M. L. Burton, Jno. A. Moore, L. Carley, H. C. Brown, R. Bradley, W. J. Ferguson, I. L. Peebles, F. M. Williams, C. McDonald, T. H. King, J. W. Sandell, A. F. Watkins and H. G. Hawkins.

The name of Jno. A. B. Jones was called, and at the request of T. W. Adams, the Bishop appointed a Committee of Investigation in his case, and his Presiding Elder deposited with the Secretary the papers relative to an investigation held during the year.

The following were announced as the Committee of Investigation: E. H. Mounger, R. D. Norsworthy and J. G. Galloway.

On motion of W. L. C. Hunnicutt the Conference reconsidered the motion to hold its future sessions in the Auditorium, and it was moved and carried that the Conference continue its sittings in the Sunday School Lecture Room.

On motion the fourth column from the pulpit was designated as marking the bar of the Conference.

Rev. G. D. French, the Field Agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced to the Conference and made some remarks relative to his work.

The Bible Society Board, as nominated by the Presiding Elders, was elected as follows: W. A. Price, T. B. Cottrell, W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, T. M. Evans, L. Carley, J. H. Jones.

L. Carley was appointed to receive all funds paid for the Society. On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in all written examinations held by the Committees of this Conference, the answers, properly graded, should be returned to those who make them, as their property, and that they do not belong to any member of any committee.

T. L. MELLEN.

J. M. MORSE.

JAS. G. GALLOWAY.

Question Twenty was resumed and the following were passed in examination of character and made their reports: H. R. Singleton, M. M. Black, H. L. Norton, R. E. Rutledge, V. D. Skipper, E. H. Moun-ger, W. H. Lewis, J. T. Abney, L. S. Jones.

Reports from the Presidents of Millsaps College and Whitworth Female College were referred to the Board of Education.

Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. G. D. French, D. D.

SECOND DAY.

NATCHEZ, MISS , December 12, 1902.

The Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m., Bishop Key in the chair. D. P. Bradford conducted the religious exercises, reading the 27th Psalm, announcing the 106th hymn and leading in prayer. After the singing of another hymn, N. B. Young led in prayer.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

A communication from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The roll was called, and the following clerical members, absent yesterday, answered to their names:

N. B. Young, J. H. Evans, L. S. Jones, V. V. Boone, R. S. Gale, P. H. Howse, G. A. Guice, D. Scarborough, Jas. A. Moore, T. B. Cottrell, W. L. Hightower, H. R. Singleton, W. D. Dominick, J. W. Lewis, and the following lay members:

Jackson District—I. T. Bell.

Meridian District—J. E. Watts, L. P. Brown.

Vicksburg District—W. A. Price.

Seashore District—T. M. Evans, James Baxter.

Brookhaven District—B. A. Summer.

W. G. Bell, an alternate lay delegate from the Jackson District, was announced and seated, vice J. R. Elliott.

On motion the Conference ordered the roll call discontinued during the remainder of the session.

N. B. Harmon moved that J. W. Beeson, the President of the East Mississippi Female College, be allowed to read the report of that institution, the motion prevailed, and the paper, after being read, was referred to the Board of Education.

Question One was called: "Who are admitted on trial?" James William Thompson, of the Forest District; William Burwell Jones, of the Seashore District; Henry Thompson Carley, and Shadrack Nathaniel Young, of the Brookhaven District; and Edward Jackson Coker, of the

Natchez District; having been duly recommended by their District Conference, and having stood approved examinations, were admitted.

Question Two was called: "Who remain on trial?" H. P. Lewis, Jr., J. E. Williams, E. C. Grice, J. L. Red, C. C. Gibson were passed in examination of character, and, having passed an approved examination on the prescribed course of study, were advanced to the class of the second year. J. M. Corley, W. L. Blackwell and J. E. J. Ferguson were passed in examination of character, but, not having passed an approved examination on the course of study, were continued in the class of the first year.

Question Eight was called: "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" Herbert Brown Watkins, Clarence Norman Guice, John Early Gray and Mancil Albert Thurman were passed in examination of character, and, having stood an approved examination on the prescribed course of study, were elected to Deacon's orders and advanced to the class of the third year. H. P. Lewis, Jr., a deacon, was passed in examination of character, and, having stood an approved examination on the course of study, was advanced to the class of the third year.

Question Seven was called: "Who are the deacons of one year?" J. R. Jones, John J. Golden, Joseph W. Campbell, G. S. Harmon, W. L. Hightower, M. J. Miller and E. L. Alford were passed in examination of character, and, having stood an approved examination on the course of study, were advanced to the class of the fourth year. R. L. Phillips was passed in examination of character, but not having been before the examining committee, was continued in the class of the third year.

Question Ten was called: "What local preachers are elected deacons?" Claude Mitchell Simpson, from the Vicksburg District; William Henry Lane, from the Forest District; James Lafayette Red, and Edward Amis Roads, from the Meridian District, having been duly recommended, were elected to Deacon's orders.

Question Fourteen was called: "What local preachers are elected elders?" Thomas Henry Harrod, from the Forest District, having been duly recommended, was elected to Elder's orders.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the railroad authorities in regard to reduced rates.

Question Twelve was called: "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" George Preston McKeown, Walter Anderson Terry, Henry Anderson Gatlin, Clarence M. Crossley, John Henry Foreman, Thomas Joseph O'Neil, George Washington Huff and Thomas H. King were passed in examination of character, and, having stood an approved examination on the course of study, were elected to Elder's orders.

W. H. Mounger and J. C. Ellis were passed in examination of character, but, not having stood an approved examination on the course of study, were continued in the class of the fourth year.

J. E. Carpenter communicated to the Conference the offer of the Natchez Steam Laundry to serve the members of the Conference free of charge, and, on motion, the thanks of the Conference were extended to the Laundry.

Question Six was called: "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" I. W. Cooper, T. B. Clifford, W. T. Bolling and J. E. Lewis were announced as received by transfer.

Question Five was called: "Who are readmitted?" Answer: None.

J. G. Cammack, on account of the serious illness of his brother, asked for leave of absence, and, on motion, it was granted.

The Committee of Investigation, in the case of Jno. A. B. Jones, presented the following report:

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference,
Assembled in Natchez, Miss., Dec. 12, 1902:*

We, a majority of the Committee of Investigation in the case of Jno. A. B. Jones, report that we do not deem a trial necessary.

E. H. MOUNGER,
R. D. NORSWORTHY.

The following question of law was presented in writing by M. L. Burton and answered by the Bishop:

When a traveling preacher is under report of immorality, has he the legal right to demand an investigation in the interval of the Annual Conference?

M. L. BURTON.

He has.

JOSEPH S. KEY.

The names of Jno. A. B. Jones and B. F. Jones were called and they were passed in examination of character.

The following was presented as Report No. 1 of the Joint Board of Finance, and on motion was adopted:

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE—REPORT NO. 1.

*To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of
the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:*

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—The paper submitted to your Joint Board of Finance from the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in regard to the Superannuate Endowment Fund, has had our careful consideration. We commend the wisdom of the Board

of Trustees in the selection of Dr. A. F. Watkins as the Agent of the Board in raising this fund, and do hereby pledge to him and the Board our active co-operation.

In order that we may have some definite plan of action, we recommend—

1st. That the Committee of Public Worship of this Conference appoint an hour for a mass meeting to be held during this session of the Conference, and we do hereby request that Bishop Jos. S. Key and Dr. A. F. Watkins be appointed to address the meeting in behalf of this fund, and that a collection be taken for this purpose.

2d. We do hereby instruct the Presiding Elders and Pastors of this Conference to promote the success of the campaign in every possible way. We instruct the Presiding Elders to make special mention of this cause at every Quarterly Conference, inquiring: "What has been raised for the Chief Endowment Fund during the present quarter?"

We further instruct that at each District Conference due prominence shall be given to the Superannuate Endowment Fund, and a collection shall be taken. We instruct the Pastors to present this cause to each and every congregation of their pastoral charges, taking public collections for its benefit.

We further instruct that the Pastors take this collection at an early date after the adjournment of the present session of the Annual Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

PAUL D. HARDIN, Secretary.

Natchez, Miss., Dec. 12, 1902.

Charles Marion Chapman, an Elder in the Baptist Church, and William F. Baggett, an Elder in the Methodist Protestant Church, were admitted into the Conference in Elder's orders.

Question Twenty was resumed and the name of W. C. Black was called. He was passed in examination of character and his Presiding Elder deposited with the Secretary the papers relative to an investigation in his case, held during the year.

The following were passed in examination of character and made their reports: James A. Moore, H. P. Lewis, Robert Selby, M. H. Moore, N. B. Harmon, H. J. Moore, J. D. Crymes, W. B. Lewis.

Rev. Joseph B. Stratton, D. D., for over fifty years pastor of the Presbyterian Church, in Natchez, was introduced to the Conference.

Question Twenty was resumed and the following were passed in examination of character and made their reports: R. F. Witt, T. B. Cottrell, H. M. DuBose, J. D. Ellis, W. W. Morse, D. C. Langford, R. S. Gale, J. N. Ware, W. J. Dawson, J. W. Crisler, M. L. White, P. D. Hardin, R. D. Norsworthy, W. L. Linfield, L. E. Alford, J. W.

Lewis, F. B. Ormond, D. P. Bradford, D. Scarborough, B. W. Lewis, V. V. Boone, H. M. Ellis, H. Mellard, G. A. Guice, L. J. Jones, C. F. Emery, R. H. Barr, P. H. Howse, W. W. Moore, H. W. Featherstun, H. W. VanHook, W. D. Dominick, J. G. Galloway, W. W. Cammack, B. S. Rayner, G. H. Thompson and J. S. Parker.

The Rev. John W. Henderson, of the Presbyterian Church, was introduced to the Conference.

Question Twenty was resumed and the following were passed in examination of character and made their reports: W. M. Williams, W. H. Huntley, W. M. Sullivan, H. B. Vandenberg, J. E. Carpenter, J. W. Brown, G. R. Ellis, W. H. Sanders, F. A. Grimes, C. C. Evans, R. A. Sibley, Jr., W. G. Forsyth, C. A. Powell, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, C. D. Cecil, A. D. Miller.

Professor J. M. Sullivan, of Millsaps College, was introduced to the Conference and made some remarks relative to the Department of the Natural Sciences in the College.

The report of Edward McGehee College was referred to the Board of Education.

The Secretary announced that J. W. Campbell would sign the railroad certificates.

After the announcements and the singing of a hymn, the Conference adjourned with the benediction by W. B. Lewis.

THIRD DAY.

NATCHEZ, MISS., December 13, 1902.

Conference met at 9 a. m., Bishop Key in the chair.

J. W. Crisler conducted the religious exercises, reading 1 John, 3d Chapter, announcing the hymn, "Blest be the Tie That Binds," and leading in prayer.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved.

C. S. Embree, of the Congregational Church, upon proper recommendation, was recognized in Elder's orders.

Dr. J. D. Hammond, the Secretary of the Board of Education, and Dr. P. H. Whisner, the Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, were introduced to the Conference.

The following nominations by the Presiding Elders of Boards and Committees for the ensuing quadrennium were read, and, on motion, they were elected.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

M. M. Black, J. E. Carruth, B. F. Lewis, Allen Kling, H. M. Ellis, R. L. Bennett, W. L. Linfield, P. L. Blackwell, W. M. Sullivan,

W. S. F. Tatum, W. J. Dawson, E. A. Enochs, W. G. Forsyth, Jas. E. Watts.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

T. B. Holloman, R. W. Millsaps, R. Selby, W. Ward, A. F. Watkins, H. B. McGehee, W. H. Huntley, D. W. Heidelberg, E. H. Mounger, L. L. Lampton, M. L. Burton, E. S. Drake, L. E. Alford, John A. McLeod.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

W. H. Sanders, L. N. Dantzler, C. W. Crisler, T. A. Holloman, N. B. Harmon, L. Stainton, M. L. White, B. A. Summer, J. T. Abney, W. M. Estis, W. M. Williams, J. Galcerin, R. F. Witt, H. G. Millsaps.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

J. S. Parker, Asa Weston, W. H. Lewis, J. M. Black, H. C. Brown, Jas M. Eagan, J. W. Crisler, W. H. Ormond, A. D. Miller, Adrien Trimble, B. W. Lewis, J. B. Holland, H. A. Gatlin, N. A. Mott.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

H. G. Hawkins, J. M. Wood, D. P. Bradford, W. A. Ellis, J. R. Jones, D. G. Patton, F. A. Grimes, H. E. Hines, D. Scarborough, W. D. Hawkins, H. W. Featherstun, B. R. Blankenship, T. B. Clifford, Percy Henderson.

BIBLE SOCIETY BOARD.

W. A. Price, T. B. Cottrell, W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, T. M. Evans, L. Carley, J. H. Jones.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

J. W. Chambers, A. C. Enochs, V. D. Skipper, H. G. Godbold, P. D. Hardin, W. J. Hunnicutt, T. J. O'Neil, W. M. Thornton, H. Mellard, J. C. Cavett, M. H. Moore, T. P. Bell, C. A. Powell, J. H. Jones.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON ADMISSION.

J. M. Weems, L. Carley, B. S. Rayner, G. A. Guice, J. E. Carpenter, J. W. Lewis, C. McDonald.

The following Committees of Examination were appointed by the Bishop for the ensuing four years:

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

Admission—H. W. VanHook, C. A. Powell, I. L. Peebles.

First Year—M. M. Black, John A. Moore, G. H. Thompson.

Second Year—T. L. Mellen, Jas. A. Moore, J. D. Ellis.

Third Year—T. B. Holloman, B. F. Lewis, W. G. Forsyth.

Fourth Year—J. G. Galloway, C. W. Crisler, H. W. Featherstun.

The following Visiting Committees were announced:

VISITING COMMITTEES.

Millsaps College—W. H. Huntley and H. B. McGehee.

Whitworth College—H. M. Ellis and J. S. Turner.

East Mississippi Female College—M. M. Black and W. P. Davis.

Edward McGehee College—C. A. Powell and J. R. Lin.

Port Gibson College—W. H. Sanders and John A. Guice.

Report No. 2 of the Joint Board of Finance was read by P. D. Hardin and adopted as follows:

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE—REPORT NO. 2.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—Two of our claimants have died during the year, viz: Rev. J. H. Holland and Rev. Dr. J. W. Harmon.

We have continued the quarterly payment plan, and have met all the claims on us during the first three quarters of the year, and will be able to pay in full the amount allowed our worthy claimants. We rejoice on account of the continued increase in the collections for this cause. This year the Conference has paid 90 per cent of the assessment—\$306.89 more than last year.

We recommend that the Presiding Elders be required to collect the Bishops' Fund. We recommend the continuance of the Quarterly Payment Plan, and that the first Sunday in March, or as near thereto as practicable, be observed in all our congregations as Veteran's Day, and this collection be taken on its merits.

Your Board has made the following allowances for the year 1903:

Mrs. William Finn.....	\$75	Rev. N. B. Young.....	\$100
Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong.....	75	Rev. Jno. A. Vance.....	100
Mrs. J. N. Williams.....	75	Mrs. N. M. Clark.....	100
Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	75	Rev. D. G. W. Ellis.....	100
Mrs. Matt Calhoun.....	75	Rev. L. P. Meador.....	150
Mrs. E. R. Strickland.....	100	Rev. W. W. Hurst.....	175

Mrs. W. E. Ballard.....	50	Mrs. J. H. Holland.....	100
Mrs. J. M. Pugh.....	75	Miss Fannie Lou Newson....	50
Mrs. R. S. Woodward.....	100	Mrs. R. W. Bailey.....	150
Mrs. D. Merchant.....	100	Rev. G. W. Ferrer's Children.	100
Mrs. P. A. Johnston.....	100	Mrs. W. M. Stevens.....	150
Mrs. Laura Price.....	150	Rev. P. Howard.....	150
Mrs. G. M. Gilmore.....	75	Rev. H. D. Howell.....	200
Mrs. D. M. Wiggins.....	75	Mrs. R. J. Jones.....	75
Mrs. H. F. Johnson.....	125	Mrs. S. Dawson.....	100
Rev. R. A. Sibley.....	200	Mrs. J. P. Drake.....	75
Rev. R. B. Downer.....	200	Mrs. H. B. Trevilion.....	75
Rev. T. W. Brown.....	100	Rev. W. G. Backus.....	250
Mrs. A. B. Nicholson.....	100	Rev. Ira B. Robertson.....	200
Mrs. E. A. Flowers.....	50	Mrs. C. C. Watkins.....	20
Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	75	Rev. H. R. Caldwell.....	175
Mrs. D. A. Little.....	150	Mrs. J. L. Forsyth.....	50
Mrs. J. W. Ellison.....	75	Rev. J. H. Evans.....	200
Mrs. H. D. Berry.....	75		

The assessments for Conference Claimants for the year 1903 is \$7,000, divided among the districts as follows:

Jackson District.....	\$ 1100 00
Brookhaven District.....	1100 00
Meridian District.....	1100 00
Vicksburg District.....	850 00
Seashore District.....	1050 00
Forest District.....	950 00
Natchez District.....	850 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$ 7000 00

The assessment for Bishops for the year 1903 is \$1,500, and is divided as follows:

Jackson District.....	\$ 230 00
Brookhaven District.....	230 00
Seashore District.....	230 00
Meridian District.....	220 00
Vicksburg District.....	200 00
Forest District.....	200 00
Natchez District.....	190 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$ 1500 00

We have collected on expenses of Delegates to the General Conference from the Natchez District \$4.00.

We have collected this year for the Bishops—

	Assessed.	Paid.	Excess.
Jackson District.....	\$220 00	\$ 231 20	\$11 20
Brookhaven District.....	220 00	236 40	16 40
Meridian District.....	215 00	215 00	.....
Vicksburg District.....	185 00	200 00	15 00
Seashore District.....	190 00	208 00	18 00
Natchez District.....	180 00	180 30	30
Forest District.....	190 00	210 50	20 50
Total		\$1481 40	\$81 40

We have collected this year for Conference Claimants—

	Assessed.	Paid.
Jackson District.....	\$1100 00	\$ 904 15
Brookhaven District.....	1100 00	986 80
Vicksburg District.....	900 00	665 32
Meridian District.....	1100 00	975 50
Seashore District.....	1000 00	1072 55
Forest District.....	950 00	952 00
Natchez District.....	850 00	786 00
Total collected for this year		\$6342 32
Balance from last year.....		72 43
Total		\$6414 75

We have expended—

For Printing Minutes for 1902.....	\$ 35 00
For Interest.....	160 00
For Incidental Expenses.....	15 00
Paid the Claimants.....	5020 00
Refunded to Conference Endowment Fund.....	800 00
Paid to the Conference Endowment Fund.....	300 00
Total Paid.....	\$6330 00
Balance on hand.....	84 75

Following are the amounts paid the Claimants this year.

Miss Georgia Stewart.....	\$25	Rev. R. A. Sibley.....	\$200
Mrs. Wm. Finn.....	85	Rev. N. B. Young.....	100
Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong.....	85	Rev J. A. Vance.....	100
Mrs. J. N. Williams.....	85	Mrs. N. M. Clark.....	110
Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	75	Rev. D. G. W. Ellis.....	100
Mrs. Matt Calhoun.....	85	Rev. L. P. Meador.....	150

Mrs. E. R. Strickland.....	\$110	Rev. R. B. Downer.....	\$200
Mrs. W. E. Ballard.....	50	Rev. G. W. Ferrer's Children..	100
Mrs. J. M. Pugh.....	85	Rev. T. W. Brown.....	100
Mrs. R. S. Woodward.....	110	Rev. W. W. Hurst.....	175
Mrs. D. Merchant.....	110	Mrs. J. H. Holland.....	110
Mrs. T. S. West.....	25	Miss Fannie Lou Newson....	50
Mrs. R. S. Dawson.....	100	Mrs. C. C. Watkins.....	20
Mrs. P. A. Johnston.....	100	Mrs. R. W. Bailey.....	160
Mrs. Laura Price.....	150	Mrs. H. B. Trevilian.....	85
Mrs. G. M. Gilmore.....	75	Miss Martin Bell.....	50
Mrs. D. M. Wiggins.....	75	Mrs. W. M. Stevens.....	110
Mrs. H. F. Johnson.....	125	Rev. P. Howard.....	150
Mrs. A. B. Nicholson.....	110	Rev. J. T. Nicholson.....	200
Mrs. E. A. Flowers.....	50	Rev. H. D. Howell.....	150
Rev. H. R. Caldwell.....	175	Mrs. J. P. Drake.....	75
Mrs. J. L. Forsyth.....	50	Mrs. D. A. Little.....	160
Rev. J. H. Evans.....	200	Mrs. J. W. Ellison.....	75
Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	75	Mrs. H. D. Berry.....	75

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
PAUL D. HARDIN, Secretary.

The Secretary reported that he had carried out the instructions of the Conference in regard to securing reduced railroad rates, but had been unsuccessful.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, be and are hereby authorized and instructed to have their charter or act of incorporation so amended as to provide for the eligibility of three laymen to Trusteeship, and, further, to change the term of office of the trustees from one to four years.

T. L. MELLEN,
J. M. WEEMS.

J. D. Ireland, lay alternate from the Natchez District, was seated vice H. G. Millsaps, and E. S. Drake from the Vicksburg District, vice T. A. Holloman.

Dr. H. M. Hamill, the Superintendent of the Training Department of the Sunday School Board, was introduced to the Conference.

Question 45 was called: "Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?" Meridian was nominated and unanimously chosen.

The following Report of the Committee on District Conference Records was read and adopted:

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

To the President and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

Your committee appointed to examine District Conference Records, submit the following:

The records of the Vicksburg and Meridian Districts were not before the Committee.

The Vicksburg District Record seems to have been lost, as Rev. M. M. Black, Secretary for 1902, says he did not receive the Record at the District Conference, and Rev. Geo. P. McKeown, Secretary for 1901, says he carried the Record to the District Conference of 1902.

The Meridian District Record was not before us because the Presiding Elder, W. W. Simmons forgot to bring it. The records of the Jackson, Forest, Seashore, and Brookhaven Districts have been examined and found to be correctly and neatly kept.

The Record of the Natchez District has not been as well and neatly kept this year as it was last year.

There is one error on the first page of the minutes. The Secretary having mentioned a committee appointed to examine the *District* Conference records when it should have been *Quarterly* Conference records. One report that should have been recorded has not yet been because as stated in the record that report was and is in the hands of the lawyers, viz: the report with reference to the Sam Jones Camp Ground property.

Another report that should have been neatly recorded is simply pasted in the record thus marring the neatness of the record, and also the utility as it covers a portion of other reports. We recommend that said report be yet properly recorded.

Respectfully submitted, -

L. E. ALFORD, Chairman.

The following resolution, relative to the Mississippi Conference Brotherhood, was adopted:

Whereas, There is an organization in our Conference known as the Conference Brotherhood which, since its organization, has been of very great assistance in that it has paid out mortuary assessments amounting to about \$9,000, aiding thereby the families of thirty of our deceased brethren of the itinerancy at a time when such aid was most needed, and

Whereas, The continued usefulness of this organization depends upon the intelligent interest manifested by the members of this Conference, therefore

Resolved, That the managers of the Brotherhood be requested to make an annual report to this Conference of the number of members enrolled, the amount of money received and to whom paid.

W. B. LEWIS.
J. A. B. JONES,
M. L. BURTON.

The following Report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read and adopted:

REPORT ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

We, your Committee on Conference Relations, beg leave to report as follows: We recommend for the superannuated relation J. A. Vance, R. A. Sibley, L. P. Meador, R. B. Downer, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, D. G. W. Ellis, T. W. Brown, W. W. Hurst, H. D. Howell, N. B. Young, P. Howard, W. G. Backus, Ira B. Robertson. We recommend for the supernumerary relation J. W. McLaurin, J. G. Cammack and R. L. Phillips.

Respectfully submitted,
G. H. GALLOWAY,
W. J. DAWSON.

The following Report of the Committee on Temperance was read and adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God that we recognize the great strides that our State has made in the matter of true temperance reform. As Methodists we reaffirm our determined opposition to the licensed whisky traffic in every form and we pledge our prayers and labors to any Christ-like means of preventing its sale within the borders of our entire State. We reaffirm our opposition to the army canteen system and earnestly ask our representatives at the national capitol to use their votes and influence against it.

L. P. BROWN,
For the Committee.

The order of the day having arrived, question 4 was called: "Who are admitted into full connection?" H. B. Watkins, C. N. Guice, J. E. Gray, M. A. Thurman and H. P. Lewis, Jr., having stood an approved examination on the prescribed course of study and having passed in the examination of character, were charged by the Bishop and, after answering satisfactorily the questions of the Discipline, were unanimously admitted by a rising vote into full connection and given the right hand of fellowship.

Miss Addie Purnell, President of the Mississippi Conference Home Mission Society, was introduced to the Conference and spoke in the interest of that Society.

On motion the action, whereby the Report of the Committee on Conference Relations was adopted, was reconsidered and the report was re-committed for further consideration of the case of R. L. Phillips.

The Report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference, December, 1902:

As to the duty of the Church to observe and obey the Divine injunction to "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" there can be no question. Nor can there be any question as to the duty of Christians to contribute by precept, as well as by example, by vote and by voice to the enforcement of the laws, human, as well as Divine, looking to the permanent recognition of the Sabbath day, not only as a holy day, but as a day of rest from physical and mental toil and frivolous past-time. Even viewed as a Seventh day upon which all of God's creatures should desist from labor, simply as a day of rest, our duty as a Church and as a Christian people is plain.

While we, as a nation, proudly boast of our American Sabbath and constantly warn our people of the dangers of the destruction of the institution, yet it is sadly true that we as a nation are retrograding in the observance of the day, and in many localities even in our own State, allowing foreign ideas on the subject to gradually gain a foothold, and no longer look upon the flagrant, open violations of our laws on the subject as formerly.

We are glad to know, however, that there has been in recent years, a great awakening on the subject, and that through organization and co-operation, we may now see signs of promise. Notable among the great movements looking to the preservation of the Lord's Day in our country, is the Sunday League of America, an inter-denominational organization of Christian men, and one not only recognized and endorsed by our General Conference, but which numbers among its managers and directors, four of the Bishops and other eminent ministers of our Church. This League, though not a Methodist institution, demanding our allegiance as a Church, is, nevertheless, one that deserves and should have our co-operation and active support.

We therefore believe it to be the duty of this Conference to work in harmony with its plans and to contribute in every way possible to the accomplishment of its great objects.

We are pleased to note many evidences in our own Conference borders of the determination of the criminal courts to enforce the Sunday laws of the State. It is unquestionably the duty of Methodists, as well as of all Christian citizens, to give their support and influence in every way possible to our courts in this laudable effort.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. A. B. JONES, Pres.

S. B. WATTS, Sec'y.

The following Report of the Board on the American Bible Society was read and adopted; pending its adoption Dr. G. D. French, Field Agent for the Society, addressed the Conference relative to his work:

REPORT OF BIBLE SOCIETY BOARD.

Your Board, to whom was committed the sacred interest of the Bible cause, report as follows:

Having abiding faith in the truth and authenticity of the Word of God, and in the fidelity and efficiency of the American Bible Society, we are glad to be able to state that that Society was never more prosperous than now. During the year ending March 31st, 1902, it has collected from all sources more than \$433,000. and sent out from its presses more than 1,700,000 Bibles and parts of Bibles, translated in 100 tongues. More than 1,000,000 of these went to the foreign field. Half of these books were published at the Bible House, and the larger part of the other half were published in China, Japan, Siam, Syria, and Turkey.

Notwithstanding this prosperity, the Society never needed money more than now; for this is an age of Protestant missions. Never has the Church of God, in all her branches, so determinedly resolved to give the gospel to all men. The missionary army is now massing on the frontier for the conquest of the world. In their efforts to save the world, they are constantly acquiring new languages and dialects into which the Word of God must be translated, then published and circulated among the people. Not to speak of other lands, in the Philippine Islands alone, there are 50 tongues into which the Holy Scriptures must be put. The same activity characterizes the home field as well as the fields beyond the seas. The Society has appointed a negro minister of good ability as special agent among the negroes of the South, to see that no home among the negroes is without a copy of the Word of God. This will cost much money; and appeals especially to us. We must help the colored people, if from no higher motive, than self defense. The Society makes it possible for any one to have a Bible. They can be bought from 15c to as much as one wishes to pay. We are glad to report that the Mississippi Conference has paid for this Conference year \$776.45: last year it paid \$738.00,

which is an increase of \$38.45. We specially commend the Seashore District for paying the full assessment. We recommend the following for your adoption:

1st. That the Conference be assessed the sum of \$1,000.00 to be apportioned as follows to the several Districts:

Vicksburg	\$ 130.00.
Natchez.....	125.00.
Jackson.....	150.00.
Forest.....	135.00.
Meridian.....	150.00.
Brookhaven.....	150.00.
Seashore.....	160.00.

2nd. As this is a new Board we ask the full and hearty co-operation of all pastors and presiding elders.

3rd. That we are glad to have with us Rev. Geo. D. French D. D., of Morristown, Tenn., Field Agent of the American Bible Society in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, and we assure him of our hearty co-operation.

(Signed)

R. BRADLEY, President.
P. H. HOWSE, Secretary.
H. L. NORTON, Treasurer.
T. B. COTTRELL,
J. H. JONES,
W. W. MORSE,
T. M. EVANS.

The report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—We, your Committee on Publishing Interests, beg leave to report as follows:

OUR PUBLISHING HOUSE.

We note with pleasure that our Publishing House continues to prosper. According to the report of the Book Agents for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1902, the total volume of business done at Nashville and at Dallas is slightly in excess of half a million dollars, while the net sales show an increase over last year of \$20,582.90. The net gain in assets, after deducting a loss of \$2,234 40 on the Methodist Review and \$6,966.98 on the Epworth Era and League Department, is \$30,799.69. Our Publishing House is doing a magnificent

and momentous work, and our pastors can render inestimable service to the Church and to the cause of Christianity by diligently co-operating with our Book Agents in disseminating edifying literature and in circulating our own excellent publications. It is trite, but nevertheless true, that we live in a reading age.

A perfect flood of books and periodicals of all sorts is issuing from the presses of to-day, a large per cent of present-day literature being, unfortunately, of a corrupting nature. Never was the influence of the press so potent as now. Since what one reads has much to do with moulding his opinions and character, it is of vital importance that the best kinds of literature be extensively circulated among our people. To neglect this duty is suicidal. As a man readeth, so will his moral sentiment be. Unless we bestir ourselves and scatter good literature broadcast over the land, the tares of evil will pre-empt the ground and render our work a hundred fold more difficult.

THE NASHVILLE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Our general organ, we are glad to say, has not suffered by the change in the editorship, and, in our opinion, is not outranked by any similar periodical in our Republic. Dr. Winton is conducting "The Nashville Advocate" with marked skill, and we ought to encourage him and help our membership by largely increasing the "Advocate" subscription list.

THE METHODIST REVIEW.

This periodical is ably edited, and covers a field not occupied by any other of our publications. The Review does not suffer by comparison with other periodicals of its kind, and ought to be in the hands of every studious preacher and thinking laymen.

REVIEW OF MISSIONS.

This splendidly edited and beautifully printed magazine contains the very cream of missionary intelligence, and is one of the finest missionary periodicals published anywhere. To the wide-awake Methodist pastor it is simply indispensable, and it ought to be in the homes of all our leading laymen.

"GO FORWARD."

We rejoice to learn that "Go Forward" has already reached a circulation of 14,000, and is rapidly growing in favor with our people. A preacher can do no better work than circulate this newsy and attractive missionary periodical among our membership.

THE EPWORTH ERA.

The organ of the League Department is brightly and skillfully edited, and is performing a noble and mighty mission in advancing the interests of the Epworth League movement.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE.

Dr. Atkins is to be congratulated upon the excellent character of the Sunday School literature which he and his co-workers are furnishing the Church. We regard the "Children's Visitor" as a model children's paper. It would be well nigh impossible to find better "lesson helps" for teachers than those provided in the Sunday School Magazine. The books which comprise the "Bible Teachers' Study Circle" course, ought to be in the hands of every conscientious and progressive teacher.

THE NEW ORLEANS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

We rejoice to note that our own Conference organ is in prosperous condition, and we heartily commend the safe and vigorous editorial management of Dr. Boswell, who is giving us a most excellent paper.

COLPORTEUR.

We cordially welcome Rev. G. M. Bachman, the diligent Colporteur of the North Mississippi Conference, who is a visitor to our Conference, and we invite him to attend our District, Missionary and League Conferences and Sunday School Conventions in the interest of his work, which we hereby earnestly commend to our preachers and people.

We recommend the appointment of Revs. J. M. Weems, T. W. Adams and W. B. Lewis as the Publishing Committee of the New Orleans Christian Advocate.

Respectfully submitted,

P. L. BLACKWELL, Chairman.

M. M. BLACK, Secretary.

In connection with this report, Dr. John W. Boswell, the editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, was introduced and spoke in the interest of our Conference organ.

The following resolution relative to a sermon to be preached by J. A. B. Jones at the next session of the Conference, was adopted:

Whereas, the Rev. John A. B. Jones will have completed, at the next session of our Conference, the fiftieth year of his association with this body; therefore

Resolved, That, in consideration of his long and faithful service, and of his high and honorable career, and in consideration of the further facts that he has contributed largely to the success of the

Church during these years, and is well acquainted with the history of our Conference, we request him to preach a sermon memorial of these times at our next session.

R. D. Norsworthy,	F. M. Williams,
H. P. Lewis,	E. H. Mounger,
W. C. Black,	W. B. Lewis,
W. L. C. Hunnicutt,	R. A. Sibley,
T. L. Mellen,	A. F. Watkins.

Dr. H. M. DuBose, General Secretary of the Epworth League Board, and Editor of the Epworth Era, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

On motion the time of the session was extended in order that the Conference might hear a statement from Colonel J. H. Jones with reference to the increase of the Conference Endowment Fund.

It was moved and seconded that when the Conference adjourn it adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Memorial Session, and the motion prevailed.

The Committee on Public Worship read the following:

SUNDAY APPOINTMENTS.

Methodist Church, Jefferson Street—9 a. m., Conference Love Feast and Sacrament; service led by Rev. R. D. Norsworthy; 11 a. m., preaching by Bishop Joseph S. Key, after which there will be the ordination of deacons; 3 p. m., memorial services, to be followed by ordination of elders; 7:30 p. m., Addresses by Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., and Bishop Key, relative to the Superannuate Fund.

Wesley Chapel—9:30 a. m., Address to Sunday School by Rev. H. B. Watkins; 11 a. m., Preaching by Rev. W. B. Lewis; 7:30 p. m., Rev. T. L. Mellen.

Presbyterian Church—11 a. m., Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., Rev. Jas. W. Lewis.

Baptist Church—11 a. m., Rev. J. W. Chambers; 7:30 p. m., Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D.

A. M. E. Church—11 a. m., Rev. T. B. Clifford; 7:30 p. m., Rev. P. D. Hardin.

After other announcements the Conference adjourned with the singing of the doxology and the benediction pronounced by Dr. J. D. Hammond.

FOURTH DAY—MEMORIAL SESSION.

NATCHEZ, MISS , Dec. 14, 1902.

The Conference met in the Jefferson Street Church at 3 p. m., T. B. Holloman, by the request of the Bishop, in the chair. A hymn was sung and F. M. Williams led in prayer.

After the ordination of Elders, Question Nineteen was called: "What preachers have died during the present year?" Answer: R. J. Jones, J. H. Holland, J. P. Drake and J. W. Harmon.

The Memoir of R. J. Jones was read by E. H. Mounger; that of J. H. Holland by J. S. Parker; that of J. P. Drake by D. C. Langford, and that of J. W. Harmon by H. W. Featherstun. Remarks were made by H. W. Featherstun, C. A. Powell and J. T. Nicholson.

The Memoirs of our deceased brethren were adopted as follows:

REV. R. J. JONES

Ransom Julianey Jones was born in Jasper county, Miss., March 25, 1837, the son of Ransom J. Jones and Effie McInnis. His father, whose name he bore, was for many years a conspicuous member of the Mississippi Conference and a tower of strength for the Church. The home in which he was reared was the scene of large hospitality, and was made sacred by earnest and joyful religion. He was brought up in the country with all the influences and associations of farm life, learning self-reliance therefrom, and in close contact with nature. The riches of that inheritance he bore conspicuously through his life.

He came to a conscious and joyful experience of the religious life in his fifteenth year, when he became a member of the Church.

His education, pursued mainly at Pleasant Hill Academy, was extensive and thorough. Many boys and young men were trained there, some of whom became eminent in Church and State. He ranked with the best in intelligence and application to study, and in manly character. He easily excelled in Mathematics and Latin. The traits there manifested went with him through life, so that always and everywhere he was the true gentleman, without reproach and without guile.

After leaving school, a few months were spent by him in teaching, a pursuit for which he had great aptitude.

When twenty-one years of age, he married Miss Sarah F. Mounger, the daughter of Hon. Henry Mounger, a distinguished lawyer and jurist of East Mississippi. In the same year he was licensed to preach, and in December of that year, 1858, he was admitted on trial in the Mississippi Conference. Then followed a life service rich in all that constitutes a faithful and efficient pastorate, and a wise and fruitful ministry. The service of his first year was given to the slaves, but afterward he ministered to many of the most cultivated congregations

within our borders. His fields of service comprised Holmes and Richland Circuits, and Starkville, now in the North Mississippi Conference, and also Trenton and Paulding Circuits, and Canton, Meridian, Brandon, Moss Point, Vicksburg, Yazoo City, West Jackson and Crystal Springs. Besides, for five years he filled most acceptably the office of Presiding Elder of the Meridian District.

As a minister, he was greatly honored and beloved. All classes of people were attracted to him. Through all of his career he had the faculty of drawing to himself in a remarkable degree the young people of his congregations. No man ever had a wider or more attached circle of friends.

His preaching was strong, scriptural and earnest, setting forth especially the deeper things of Christian experience. He was indeed a scribe, instructed unto the Kingdom of Heaven, who brought forth out of his treasury things new and old.

He had a commanding form, a fine personal presence, and also in the pulpit he excelled in the graces of manner. Withal, he was most assiduous in the discharge of duty, so that the Churches grew and prospered under his administration. Till the last he was a student; he read largely and well, constantly supplying himself with the best books. A modest, quiet, refined gentleman, he did not talk of himself.

Bishop Galloway bears this testimony to him: "He was free from all self-seeking. All his ambitions were for the cause he espoused, the Church he loved, the flag he followed. Self was subordinated to service.

Though not without proper self appreciation, conscious of his strength as well as his limitations, he sought first the Kingdom of God and its upbuilding. With a loving, loyal, obedient spirit he accepted the task assigned him and sought to do his work in the spirit of his Master. He was a man of remarkable prudence. Singularly free from rashness of speech and conduct, and always generous and brotherly in spirit, I doubt if he ever had many occasions to apologize for a hasty word or even to correct a wrong impression. He never harbored resentments. I have no doubt that he died as he had lived, without the thinnest veil between him and the heart of any human being. If wrong was ever done him, he never repeated or paraded it. In his own heart it died, overcome by the goodness of his great soul.

He was an eminently wise counselor. His was a judicial temperament.

When all the facts were presented I would accept his opinion on any proposition almost as readily as any man I have ever known. But he was most conspicuous for the admirable poise of his character, the even balance of faculties, which gave charming symmetry and beautiful simplicity to his life."

All who knew him well will concur in this estimate of his character. It may be said of him that no man had a greater regard for the rights of others or was more respectful toward them, no man carried himself with greater propriety, no man with superior dignity, or more winning manners, or more blameless life. He had the enduring basis of all high character, and that was, stainless integrity and ardent love of the truth.

He was strong physically, intellectually and morally. Gentleness and manliness were beautifully blended in his nature. He did not live for himself; but for his country, his family, for the cause of Christ and humanity.

It was granted him in the providence of God, to hew out a noble history, and after a life well finished, rounding up forty-three years of itinerant service, he passed to the company of heroic souls, the patient and prevailing ones; who having lived nobly here are at rest forever. Love consecrated his latest hours, and in death he saluted the spotless majesty of the risen Christ. On the twenty-fourth of December, 1901, in Crystal Springs, Miss., he fell asleep, exchanging the resolute dignity of living for the calm and fine dignity of death.

“Now is our stately column broke,
The beacon's light is quenched in smoke,
The trumpet's silver voice is still,
The warder's silent on the hill.”

His death was marked by the calm fortitude that reveals the hope and courage of the true man of God, and his epitaph is written in the hearts of the hundreds to whom he ministered.

REV. JACOB H. HOLLAND

Rev. Jacob H. Holland was born in Jackson County, Mississippi, Nov. 30, 1829. He was happily converted and joined the Methodist Church at the early age of ten years. On January 16, 1851, he was married to Sarah A. Smith. She was a true help-meet, indeed, in his useful itinerant life. He soon became impressed with the belief that he was called to preach the Gospel, and was licensed in 1852. For a number of years he did effective work as a local preacher, supplying Okoha and Rankin Circuits. He was admitted on trial in the Mississippi Annual Conference Dec. 9, 1869. He was ordained local Deacon by Bishop Paine, Sept. 2, 1864, and Elder by Bishop McTyeire, Dec. 12, 1868. He was appointed to Philadelphia Circuit, 1870—71; Paulding Circuit, 1872, '73, '74, '75; Trenton, 1876—77; Union, 1878—79; Shady Grove, 1880; Enterprise Circuit, 1881, Vancleve, 1882—83; Ellisville Circuit, 1884; Neshoba, 1885—86; Marion, 1887—88; Bethel, 1889; Whittington, 1890—91; Americus, 1892, '93, '94; Nicholson, 1895; Fuller, 1896; Linwood, 1897; Gulfport Mission, 1898; St. John's, 1899. During this year his health gave way, and at the

Annual Conference he asked to be placed upon the honor roll of the Conference. He was superannuated 1900, 1901 and 1902.

As a preacher of the gospel, he was plain impressive, practical, and at times, effective and powerful. He delighted to work and preach in revival and campmeetings. Around the altar crowded with earnest seekers for salvation, "Uncle Jake," as he was lovingly called, had few equals. It was a sweet privilege to hear him sing and pray, and point sinners to the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world.

He was instrumental in the salvation of many precious, blood-bought, immortal souls. He was strong, enthusiastic, sweet-spirited, and was beloved by all who knew him. There are many bright stars in his crown of rejoicing in the bright world above.

His conversion was of that clear and well-defined character that impress the whole life, and hence it was followed by an active and ardent piety. It was deep, simple, earnest and beautiful. He lived and died a Christian, whose purity was never doubted in the least. He lived in companionship with his Lord and Master. A man of amiable, gentle and sweet spirit, full of faith and the Holy Ghost.


He moved to California with his only son, W. J. Holland, in August, 1901, with the hope of improving his health, but instead, he grew worse soon after his arrival, and was in a short time transferred to his eternal home. He fell sweetly asleep in Jesus, in Berkeley, Cal., January 18, 1902.

The last time I saw him and told him good-bye, he said, "Brother Parker, I expect to meet you in heaven." He was on his way then to take the train for his far away western home. He suffered much in his last days, but was ready to go at the call of the Master. Though his sufferings were almost beyond endurance, he never gave up prayer or the reading of the Holy Bible. The day before he died he requested that the 23d and 116th Psalms be read; then asked those around him to sing "I'm Going Home to Die No More." At midnight he again called his family and friends around his bed and told them that he was dying. "I want you all to meet me in heaven." After prayer and a few of his favorite songs, he said "I am dying—Hallalujah! Glory!" and passed away.

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the victory's won,
And thou art crowned at last."

REV. J. P. DRAKE.

Rev. James Perry Drake is no more, for God has taken him. He passed to his heavenly reward in the early morning of January 19, 1902. His trouble was gastritis, which had such a firm hold upon him



that it baffled the skill of his physicians, and resisted the careful and affectionate ministrations of watchful loved ones. His illness was long and painful, but his trust in God was unshaken. He said, "My heart and my flesh fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever." With his entire family around him—save one daughter, who was far away at school—in the quiet of that early beautiful Sabbath morning his spirit laid off its mortal load and entered into the rest of an eternal Sabbath. By this removal from our midst the Mississippi Conference has lost one of its purest and most valuable members, whose form and features will be missed in its annual convocations, but whose benign influence and Christly example will abide through the coming years.

Brother Drake was born in Jefferson county, Miss., not far from Natchez, Aug. 4, 1847. He came of an honorable parentage. His father, the late Rev. B. M. Drake, D. D., was of the family of Drakes of Robson county, N. C., who have an unbroken genealogy from the younger brother and adopted heir of Sir Francis Drake. His mother was the daughter of Capt. James Truman Magruder, who came to Mississippi from Maryland more than a century ago, and who was a decendant of "Rob Roy" McGregor, of Scottish fame. Both parents were leading spirits in the early Methodism of Mississippi, and were noted for their eminent piety, intelligence, and force of character. To this cultured and pious couple twelve children were born. Among the seven who lived to be grown was James Perry. With such a parentage it is not surprising that he gave himself early in life to the service of the church under whose influence and doctrine he had been reared.

His early education was received at a private school, where he was prepared for the college Sophomore class. He possessed fine mental qualities; a quick, grasping, and discriminating intellect. After the Civil War he taught for a while in Baton Rouge; then in Greenville, Port Gibson, and Natchez. While teaching he prepared himself for the profession of law, but did not practice a very great while. As a layman he was actively engaged in Christian work, filling the office of steward and Sunday-school superintendent in Natchez and Vidalia.

In September, 1873, he was married to Miss Clara B. Wailes, of Woodville, Miss. After twenty-eight years of happy wedded-life, she, with six of the nine children that brightened their home, is left to walk life's weary way without him.

When God called him from a profitable secular life to the gospel ministry, he cheerfully obeyed. "Speak, Lord; thy servant heareth," was the language of his heart. At the session of the Mississippi Conference held at Natchez in December, 1876, he was received into the traveling connection on trial.

His first appointment was Kingston, where he spent two years; thence to Woodville, two years; thence to Bolton, two years; thence to

Fayette, four years; thence to Moss Point, two years; thence to Shubuta, four years; thence to Edwards, four years; thence to Bay St. Louis, three years, and thence to Summit, where he had just been appointed for the third time, and where he laid down his implements of warfare for his crown of reward. In all of these appointments he labored with a zeal and energy, a consecration and loyalty, a trueness and devotion to duty that was heroic. He impressed his character and work on the people he served, and many are the souls that will rise up and call him blessed.

He was a gospel preacher, strong, clear, logical, convincing, and often gave expression to brilliant conceptions of the divine truth. He was thoroughly acquainted with the theology of his church; he "knew of the doctrine." consequently he was edifying and instructive in his exposition of the Scripture. His preaching was reinforced by a consistent life. He lived the gospel he loved so well to preach. He was "an epistle known and read of all men," and the people "took knowledge of him that he had been with Jesus." To elevate and strengthen the spiritual life of his parishioners was one of the chief objects of his preaching. He declared the whole counsel of God as revealed to him, "warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom," that he might "present every man perfect in Christ Jesus." He was truly a preacher of righteousness, and he as truly lived the life of the righteous; hence, by the twofold influence of preaching and living, he was enabled to leave every charge he served with nobler and purer ideals of Christianity.

He was a devoted pastor. In his pastoral work no personal sacrifice was too great for him to make. He was scrupulously conscientious in the discharge of duty, and as long as he had strength, and even beyond, he labored. He went with a cheerful heart and kind word among the rich and the poor, the sick and the well, the learned and the ignorant, the happy and the unhappy, carrying to all alike a message of love and the consolation of Christ. It was his especial delight to visit the poor, the sick, and the bereaved, and, like his Divine Master, his heart was full of tender compassion for the needy. He shared the sorrows of his flock and delighted in their joys.

His work as a pastor was pre-eminently constructive, both in a spiritual and material way. Almost every charge he served bears testimony to his industry in some excellent improvement on building or grounds. Conspicuous among the many marks of improvement that follow him are a commodious new parsonage at Summit, and a beautiful church completely finished and furnished, at Cold Springs, on the Summit charge. Besides, by his own efforts he secured the first thousand dollars for the handsome new church at Gulf Port.

He was loyal to his church. He received his appointments as from the Lord, and endeavored to fill them in the spirit of Christ. He was

not a place seeker. Self, and self aggrandizement, were subordinated to the higher ideal of a true and unselfish service to the church. To take part in some way in the upbuilding of the kingdom of God was his highest aspiration.

Brother Drake was pure in mind and prudent in speech. He was free from malice, and never indulged a vindictive spirit. His was a noble, generous nature; a gentle, fraternal spirit. He was transparent. There were no hidden, jagged spurs about his well-rounded character. He possessed that smoothness and gentleness of spirit which gave a charm and potency to his life, and breathed the fragrance of a soul in harmony with Christ. The poise of his well-balanced character was not easily disturbed.

He held the unqualified and abiding confidence and esteem of his brethren in the ministry. No man in our Conference was more loved than he. He possessed that charity which "suffereth long and is kind," which "envieth not," which "vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up," which "Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil."

He was the very soul of honor and chivalry. These virtues which shone with such resplendence in the galaxy of virtues which adorned his life were manifest on all occasions, but were unostentatiously worn.

But it was in the home that he was best known and most loved. His home was the dearest place on earth, and its inmates were the objects of his tenderest affection. Love was the underlying and governing principle there. His devotion to his children was strong and impartial. His chivalrous attention to his wife, who had stood so bravely by his side in shadows and in sunshine, is worthy of all imitation.

The light of his life revealed to the world about him that he had an intelligent conception of God, an exalted spiritual grasp of Christ, and a lofty purpose of self-denying fidelity to his high calling.

REV. JOHN WESLEY HARMON.

Rev. John Wesley Harmon, son of Zebulon and Mary King Harmon, was born in Augusta, Ky., Feb. 12, 1821. He was educated at Augusta College, under Drs. Ruter and Durbin, and at St. Charles College, Mo., under Dr. G. W. Fielding. After teaching a while, he studied medicine at the Ohio State University.

For some years he had resisted a clear call to preach; but during a revival in the old Wesley Chapel, Cincinnati, held by John Newland Maffit, he was induced to yield to the heavenly calling. He joined the Mississippi Conference at a time when the States of Mississippi and Louisiana and a part of Alabama were included in its area.

His earlier ministry was almost exclusively given to charges in Louisiana, serving at Alexandria, Opelousas, Baton Rouge and New

Orleans. At some time prior to 1858, he located to prosecute temperance work. In December, 1858, he was re-admitted into the traveling connection by the Alabama Conference, and appointed to Demopolis. In December, 1859, he was appointed to Livingston, serving there during 1860 and 1861. He was at Enterprise, Miss., then in the Alabama Conference, in 1862 and 1863, and at Macon in 1864. He was agent for the Orphan's Fund Association, during the year 1865; and pastor at Crawfordsville, Miss., in 1866.

For want of data, we cannot detail his work for the next four years; but in 1870, we find him pastor at Brandon in the Mississippi Conference; and at the next Conference was appointed Agent for the Southwestern Bible Society.

In December, 1873, he located, giving himself again to the work of preaching temperance and organizing the temperance forces.

He was re-admitted in December, 1881, and appointed to Marion in the Meridian District. He served Waynesboro and State Line in 1883 and 1884. In 1885 and 1886 he was at Summit; in 1887 at Morton and Forest; in 1888 and 1889 at Anguilla; in 1890 and 1891 at Ocean Springs.

In December, 1891, he became superannuated; yet, he did not cease to work, preaching where occasions offered and writing sermons and pamphlets. He was a toiler to the end. In 1894 he published a volume of sermons, and few sermons are so readable as these.

Only a few weeks before his death, Dr. Harmon, as we called him, preached two sermons at Moss Point, Miss., of remarkable finish and power. Just two weeks before his death he preached twice the same day in Meridian.

He died Sunday, March 9th, 1902, aged 81 years and 27 days.

Dr. Harmon was married at Baton Rouge, La., July 25, 1849, to Miss Francis E. Stuart. She left him for heaven June 3, 1894. Their married life was, as he declared, "a honey-moon nearly forty-five years long." There were born to them eight children, two of whom died in infancy, and another in 1884. Two of his sons are members of this Conference.

Bishop Galloway has written so fully and so well what our hearts prompt us to say that we incorporate into our tribute his strong and beautiful words:

"No doubt that feature of Dr. Harmon's character which will most readily occur to his every friend was his buoyant, almost boyish, hopefulness. He was an ardent optimist, both by nature and Methodist grace. The very flash of his brilliant eye was like the fire of immortal youth, and the tones of his voice had the jubilant ring of a joyous childhood. To him every cloud had a silver lining, and behind every frowning providence he saw a smiling face. Nobody ever heard him talk in doleful tones, or sing in a minor key. Life's burdens were not

always light, nor were its skies always bright, but his faith so constantly reveled in happier and more radiant to-morrows that he positively forgot the burdens and clouds of to-day. Nor was this a thoughtless and illogical optimism—a hopefulness born of carelessness. It came partly from his joyous, amiable disposition, but mostly from his unclouded faith in a God mighty to save. His hopes were not inspired by a ‘stream of tendency,’ but by a personal God, with infinite love in his heart and omnipotence in his strong arm.

What an inspiration is such a happy, hopeful spirit! How he shames away our gloom and unfaith, and puts within us the quickened pulse-beat of a larger spiritual life! With an almost prodigal hand that happy man has scattered flowers along the way of life. He literally broadcasted the fields with seeds and deeds of kindness. The memory of that precious life will itself be a flower of fadeless bloom.

Dr. Harmon was a gentle, generous spirit, who loved and honored his fellow-men. His heart was made for friendship. In it there were no hiding-places for sinister motives and evil imaginings. He was singularly free from suspicion, and seemed to be a stranger to resentment. I am sure he never harbored a revenge, or carried a grudge, or nursed a grievance. Without animosities, he had no enemies. Innocent of envyings and jealousies, he never imagined that some one stood in his way, or occupied a place to which he was entitled. He had sacred aspirations, but no sordid ambitions.

And how kindly was his speech! Harsh criticism did not dwell upon his gracious lips. Bitter words had small place in his vocabulary, and he never deceived himself with the fact that assault on personal character is often the evidence of coarseness rather than of courage. He never sought for ulterior motives, and, therefore, never berated or betrayed his brethren by misinterpreting them. O noble, knightly spirit! what a charm thou hast given to the comradeship of the Christian ministry! He loved his brethren, and rejoiced in all their achievements for our common Lord.

Dr. Harmon was an able and eloquent preacher. In the days of his full strength he was, at times, a real master of assemblies. To the natural gifts of an orator he added the graces of considerable culture and the flaming zeal of a true evangelist. Some of his sermons on special occasions yet linger in the memory of his surviving hearers, and the scenes connected therewith are the traditions of the past forty years. He was a resident of Brandon, Miss., in 1870, when Gen. Robert E. Lee died, and was invited to deliver a memorial address in honor of the great hero. For majestic speech and masterful eloquence, it is yet doubted if in all the Southland any tribute that day surpassed the one that enraptured the splendid audience in that Mississippi town. I have heard him on occasions when he was remarkably eloquent.

The pulpit was his throne, and, as was eminently right, he genuinely loved to occupy it. He never considered it a hardship, but a joy and a privilege to declare his Lord's message. And when the time came for him to retire from active pastoral service, he gracefully accepted the judgment of the Conference, but went on preaching in every pulpit to which he was invited.

Dr. Harmon was a fearless and powerful advocate of temperance reform. Much of his early, active life was devoted to this great cause. He was its courageous champion when its friends were few, and its enemies were more imperious and tyrannous than now. By trenchant pen and eloquent tongue he portrayed the horrors of intemperance and the crimes of the accursed liquor traffic, and won back to a life of virtue and sobriety many a noble young man in the Southwest. For the better moral sentiment on that subject which obtains to-day, and for any measures of reform that have been secured, honor must never be withheld from the name and apostolic labors of John W. Harmon."

Song was interspersed in the service and the session closed with the benediction.

FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

NATCHEZ, MISS., Dec. 15, 1902.

The Conference was called to order at 9 a. m., Bishop Key in the chair. G. W. Bachman conducted the religious exercises, reading the 34th Psalm, announcing a hymn and leading in prayer.

The minutes of the sessions of Saturday morning and Sunday afternoon were read and approved.

The Bishop reported the ordinations as follows:

On Sunday, December 14th, after a sermon at 11 o'clock in the Jefferson Street Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Natchez, Miss., I ordained the following Traveling Preachers Deacons:

Herbert Brown Watkins, Clarence Norman Guice, John Early Gray, Mancil Albert Thurman.

Also the following Local Preachers: Claude Mitchell Simpson, William Henry Lane, James Lafayette Red, Edward Amiss Roads.

In the evening of the same day, after the sermon in the same place, I ordained the following Traveling Deacons Elders:

George Preston McKeown, Walter Anderson Terry, Henry Anderson Gatlin, Clarence M. Crossley, John Henry Foreman, Thomas Joseph O'Neil, George Washington Huff, Thomas H. King.

Also the following Local Deacon: Thomas Henry Harrod.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved. That this Conference hereby instruct its Examining Committees to accept certificates from our Correspondence School at Nashville in lieu of examinations by themselves.

W. C. BLACK,
T. L. MELLEN.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—We are glad to call attention to the very encouraging prospects of the Church. There has been advancement in all departments of work. Notable among these is the erection of new and more commodious church edifices and parsonages which have been purchased, rebuilt, enlarged and made more comfortable. A few new Societies, Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools have been organized; and a marked increase in the collections for the several branches of church work is especially gratifying. The ministry also has shared in this material prosperity, and have received a deserved and more liberal sustenance. The Schools and Colleges have an increased patronage and the cause, interest and influence of Christian education is widening.

The church press has contributed in a large degree to this spiritual life, and the Sunday School work was never more efficient, helpful and inspiring than at present.

The Epworth League, supplying a long-felt want, has also quickened and stimulated the zeal of the Church, provoking a more heroic religious action.

There have been revivals in nearly every charge, and, as a result, many souls have been converted and a deeper work of grace has been wrought in the heart of the Church with a goodly number enrolled as members. For this we are devoutly thankful.

But we cannot afford to rest here. There is yet much to be attained, many difficulties to be overcome and barriers burned away. The spiritual life of the Church should be more profound; the abiding presence of the Lord in His Church more manifest. This can be brought about by a greater consecration on the part of minister and laymen, and a more faithful observance of all the means of grace.

Respectfully submitted,

HERVIE MELLARD, Secretary.

Dr. John J. Tigert, Book Editor and Editor of the Review, was introduced.

The Committee on Conference Relations, presented the following supplementary report:

REPORT NO. 2 ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

Your Committee, after duly considering the case of R. L. Phillips, submitted to them for reconsideration, beg leave to report that we reaffirm our former judgment and again recommend him for the supernumerary relation.

G. H. GALLOWAY, Chairman.
W. J. DAWSON, Secretary.

W. C. Black moved that the report be amended by substituting the word "superannuated" for the word "supernumerary," and the motion prevailed.

Report No. 3 of the Joint Board of Finance was read and adopted as follows:

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE—REPORT NO. 3.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

DEAR BRETHREN—We, your Joint Board of Finance, nominate as Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund, B. F. Jones, B. S. Rayner, John W. Chambers, W. M. Thornton, W. S. F. Tatum, J. H. Jones and J. C. Cavett.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.
PAUL D. HARDIN, Secretary.

The written request of W. H. Mounger for location was upon motion granted.

The report of the Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund was read, and, on motion, recommitted.

A. F. Watkins, Agent for the Endowment Fund for Superannuated Preachers and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Preachers, made a brief statement to the Conference in the interest of the fund. A collection was taken which, in addition to the amount reported from the public meeting, reached a total of \$13,400.88.

M. L. Burton read the following report from the Trustees of the Orphans' Home:

ORPHANS' HOME REPORT.

NATCHEZ, MISS., Dec. 13, 1902.

To the President and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—As a committee appointed to make a report for the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Orphans' Home, we respectfully submit the following:

By inquiry into the affairs of the Home, we find that during the five years of its history, it has continued to make substantial progress. Two hundred and nineteen children have been cared for, with only two deaths; 109 have been adopted and otherwise disposed of. We are more than gratified at the result of this Conference year. The number of Orphans now in the Home is 107, and the support has been adequate for every need.

During the past year, improvements have been made on the property, costing more than \$1,000. A new kitchen, and other necessary rooms, with large hall and galleries, have been added. The field has been cultivated and improved. Sufficient corn and hay has been gathered to supply the place. The work in cultivating the field, gardens, etc., has been done by the boys. The cooking and housework has been done by the girls, superintended by a competent matron and housekeeper.

The school has over 70 pupils, taught by two intelligent, consecrated teachers, and continues ten months, five and one-half months being a county public term. Nine of our girls have been placed in our Church Colleges, and two at the College at Water Valley. As they are taken free of board and tuition, the Board hereby expresses its highest appreciation of this kindness.

We are gratified to note that the religious training of the children has been carefully guarded. They attend Sabbath School and preaching regularly, while the Sunday School lessons are taught, and the pastors preach at the Home in the afternoons. Daily family worship is also a part of this training. Thirty-five have united with the Church on profession of faith this year, making 77 now members of the Church.

The Sunday School Boards of the North Mississippi and this Conference supply the Home with Sunday School literature and periodicals. Many song and library books have been sent by pastors and other friends.

The circulation of the paper, "Our Home," is 3,000, and we find that it has been much help financially and otherwise. The physicians of Water Valley, and Hon. J. G. McGowen, have our thanks for valuable services rendered.

In our last report we stated that for good reasons the hospital cottage had not been accepted from the contractors. We are glad to state that the matter has been adjusted.

Contrary to the general policy of Orphanages, we have thought it advisable and proper to care for infants. We now have four, and if necessary will secure other help at the Home for this purpose.

The Board has seen the need of a modern heating apparatus in the Home. After careful consideration of the matter, they have recommended that a steam heating apparatus be installed at an approximate cost of \$1,200. This work we hope to have completed by January 1st, 1903.

We had on hand as per last report at Conference \$18.80. We have received since that time from the Mississippi Conference \$3,846.56, and from the North Mississippi Conference, \$4,561.89, making a total of \$8,427.25. We have expended \$7,860.58, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$566.67. In addition to this, there is in the hands of the Manager, unreported to the Treasurer, \$1,000.

The amount due at our last annual Conference—\$969.82—has been paid. There is no indebtedness at present. There is \$1,000 endowment undisturbed.

As the terms of office of R. L. Bennett and Rev. R. J. Jones have expired, we request that their places be filled.

We have re-elected Rev. W. T. Griffin as Manager and Agent, and request his appointment at your hands.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SHERARD,
J. B. STREATER,
Committee.

W. T. Griffin, Agent and General Manager, presented a statement of the work of the Home, after which the report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby extended to M. L. Burton, Treasurer, for his efficient management of the funds of the Orphans' Home.

I. W. COOPER,
G. H. GALLOWAY.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That each preacher in charge in the bounds of this Conference be required to devote at least one Sunday in the year, in addition to Thanksgiving Day, to the interest of our Orphans' Home, and promptly forward amounts contributed to the Home.

T. L. MELLEN,
T. B. HOLLOMAN.

T. L. Mellen made an interesting and encouraging statement in regard to our work among the Mississippi Choctaws.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Conference elect a member of this body to serve for four years in securing reduced rates over all the railroad lines for our Annual Conference sessions.

M. L. BURTON,
H. B. WATKINS.

A. F. Watkins moved that M. L. Burton be elected to this work, and the motion prevailed.

Dr. Tigert addressed the Conference relative to the Review and the work of the Publishing House.

The following resolution was presented and, on motion, adopted:

Whereas, but little time has been given to the preaching of the Gospel during the present session of our Conference; and *whereas*, we believe more preaching would be conducive to the best interests of the Church; therefore

Resolved, That at least one hour each day should be given to the preaching of the Gospel.

G. H. GALLOWAY,
G. H. THOMPSON,
B. S. RAYNER.

Dr. J. D. Hammond, Secretary of the General Board of Education, addressed the Conference on the work of that Board, and, on motion, a vote of thanks was extended Dr. Hammond for the facts and figures presented in the address.

The report of the Board of Education was read, and, on motion of L. P. Brown, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

The Board of Education, concluding its fourth year's service, is impelled to premise this final report with a note of hearty congratulation. There has not been before in its chronicles so uniform a register of things done and under way. The Church, as never before, is schooling its youth, and in its own institutions. It realizes the increasing value, in their enlarged facilities, of its schools. The confidence of the Church is become fixed in the competence of its servants. The boys and girls are going to school *at home*. We invite you to put your hand upon the throbbing pulse of church health, and to believe with us that our schools furnish the vigor and soundness of the pulse. It is in a spirit of profound thanks and praise before God that we come to you to review the prosperity which has sprung from His bounty

to the people composing our conference community. Following is the digest drawn from the reports of our colleges, as supplied us by their authorities.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

Millsaps entered its second decade with the current session. Appropriate ceremonies celebrated this event. These ceremonies were the happier, as they were held in the presence of the largest student body and amidst facilities greater than at any time in the College history. Dr. Murrah preserves his happy confidence in the purpose of the Church to make its boys great by making the College greater in all its parts. The great college gives a great hand to the worthy, struggling youth. Its introduction of him later to a world waiting for cultured thoroughness is impressive to the world and for the youth. Millsaps College is Mississippi's college for coming men of Mississippi Methodism. Each year strengthens her walls, fixes the solidity of her foundations. President Murrah and his aids are faithfully doing their work, and we rejoice with them in their success. We submit for confirmation as trustees the names of A. F. Watkins, W. B. Lewis, R. L. Bennett and I. C. Enochs. We recommend the reappointment of J. A. Moore to the Chair of Mathematics.

WHITWORTH COLLEGE.

The tide towards flood has set in for this honored property of the Church. Arrangement of advanced curriculum, increase of faculty body and the fullest boarding department for years, together with enthusiasm in its administration by President Cooper and Vice President Hawkins, declare in brief but satisfying terms the bright prospects for Whitworth. Names of Mr. Geo. L. Hawkins and Rev. M. L. Burton are submitted for confirmation as trustees in place of Dr. J. W. Martin, deceased, and Rev. Thos. W. Adams, whose term has expired. We recommend the appointment of I. W. Cooper and H. G. Hawkins for President and Vice President, and that I. W. Cooper be appointed financial agent for the College.

PORT GIBSON.

The report of its prosperity from its President shows this institution proportionately abreast with the others—boarding department full, modern convenience provided. President Jones has erected an additional dormitory at his own expense, which, he informs us, he purposes presenting to the Church. The rehabilitation of this fine old school is especially gratifying to this Board, and we hope to hear of constant and increased success there. The reappointment of L. S. Jones for President is recommended; the names of T. W. Adams and J. W.

Chambers are to be confirmed as trustees. The President is appointed to act as Financial Agent for the College.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

President J. W. Beeson presents a surprising report to us. The growth of our College at Meridian cannot but be inspiring to all concerned. More prosperous than at any time past, with crowded dormitories and valuable improvements added yearly, we congratulate its administration and expect yet greater things from its future. In connection with this matter, we beg to amend and repropose resolutions looking to the making uniform of our college charters. This instruction as amended is as follows: It is again recommended by the Board of Education that the present Board of Trustees of East Mississippi Female College be requested to secure such amendments to the present charter, or, if need be, such new charter as shall conform to the conditions set forth in the original conveyance, and align it with other educational institutions, which are under the patronage and control of the Mississippi Conference; it being the recommendation of this Board that such new charter be so framed as to fully protect the present contract with President J. W. Beeson and his property interests thereunder; and that the present Board of Trustees shall become trustees under the new, or amended charter, and that such trustees shall have the right to perpetuate themselves until the expiration of the present lease to J. W. Beeson; and that the power of rejection or confirmation by the Conference be not exercised until the expiration of such lease.

EDWARD M'GEHEE COLLEGE.

There is no change of note in the songs our schools have raised in unison during the current session. This school for girls has its boarding department taxed to its capacity, and is preparing to enlarge it. The Trustees praise the President of the school, and look with confidence towards the future of its prized institution. Especially do they commend the advantages of it to, and invite for it patronage from, the district in which Edward McGehee is established.

MONTROSE HIGH SCHOOL.

This institution was referred to in our last report as our Forest District High School. Its management, under T. C. Bradford, is commended by its Trustees highly. We are pleased to note its thorough alignment and loyal attitude to our Church and Conference. The enrollment is beyond that of several past sessions.

PAINE AND LANE INSTITUTES.

We are glad to continue the expression of our interests in these

worthy institutions under our care, and recommend that the sum of \$300 be devoted to their maintenance next year.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

In the absence of communication from our great university, we are unable to make extended reference to its prospectus for another year. It is too well known to our people to require commendation from us. Her broadened facilities and unsurpassed advantages are open to our whole church and people.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS.

Number of institutions.....	5
Value of property.....	\$255,800 06
Endowment.....	110,500 00
Professors and teachers.....	80
Pupils.....	1,080

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Received this year from educational collections.....	\$ 1,748 43
Increase over last year.....	88 56

We have divided it as follows:

Millsaps College.....	\$ 1,285 53
Paine and Lane Institutes.....	220 50
General Board.....	199 90
Printing Minutes.....	32 50

ASSESSMENTS.

We respectfully recommend the following educational assessments for 1903:

For Millsaps College.....	\$ 2,000 00
For Paine and Lane Institutes.....	300 00
For the General Board.....	399 00
Total.....	\$ 2,699 00

To be apportioned among the Districts as follows:

Vicksburg District.....	\$ 337 00
Jackson District.....	429 00
Forest District.....	365 00
Natchez District.....	312 00
Meridian District.....	408 00
Sea Shore District.....	416 00
Brookhaven District.....	432 00

CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL.

Our General Board of Education, in pursuance of plans outlined in the last General Conference, has furnished us an outline relating to the work of a School of Correspondence for our young ministers. We note the welcome presence of the Secretary, Dr. Hammond, and commend his work to the closest attention of all whom it should concern.

For the Board.

W. H. HUNTLEY, Chairman.

MINISTERIAL AID ASSOCIATION.

June 4, 1902—	Cash from Rev. T. A. Holloman.....	\$ 113 00
Oct. 25,	“ —R. J. Barber.....	5 00
Nov. 6,	“ —Miss Kate C. Hill.....	8 00
Dec. 11,	“ —H. W. VanHook.....	10 00
“ “	“ —R. E. Rutledge.....	15 00
“ “	“ —C. M. Simpson.....	20 00
“ “	“ —W. Y. Webb.....	2 50
“ “	“ —H. A. Gatlin.....	5 00
“ 12,	“ —J. J. Golden	10 00
Total received.....		\$ 188 50

R. W. MILLSAPS, Treasurer.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE.

Dec. 11, 1901—	To balance on hand last Conference report..	\$ 952 41
“ 17,	“ —S. J. Taylor, for Enterprise.....	10 00
“ 24,	“ —R. S. Ricketts, interest on note.....	5 00
Jan. 3, 1902—	R. P. Moore, interest on note.....	3 00
March 27,	“ —Mrs. W. L. Maxwell, Camden.....	2 50
April 4,	“ —Rev. M. M. Black, for Millsaps College...	12 50
April 14,	“ —W. B. Lewis, Yazoo City.....	127 25
May 3,	“ —Dr. Barbee, for Millsaps College.....	50 00
June 19,	“ —W. B. Murrah, interest on note.....	6 00
“ 21,	“ —W. T. Griffin, note.....	5 00
Dec. 12,	“ —T. B. Cottrell.....	25 00

\$1,198 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

Dec. 16, 1901—H. G. Hawkins, for expenses.....	\$ 5 90
.. 26, " —Millsaps College, by order of Conference...	481 00
March 5, 1902—Whitworth College, as directed by donors..	56 86
April 16, " —J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer Missionary Board as directed by donors	33 15
May 3, " —Millsaps College, by Dr. Barbee.....	50 00
June 5, " —For Millsaps College, T. L. Mellen.....	20 00
Dec. 9, " —J. B. Hammond, Secretary General Board.	362 58
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	\$1,009 49
Balance	189 17

R. W. MILLSAPS, Treasurer.

We recommend that this balance be held by our Treasurer until next Conference. We urge our pastors to collect at an early date all unpaid subscriptions to this fund.

A communication was read by T. L. Mellen from the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Mississippi Conference.

The report of the Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund, which had been recommitted, was presented and adopted as follows:

THE CONFERENCE ENDOWMENT FUND.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—In January our Board of Trustees lost by death Rev. R. J. Jones, Treasurer, and Rev. J. P. Drake, Secretary. To fill their places Rev. B. F. Jones was elected Treasurer and Rev. J. W. Chambers, Secretary.

The report of the Treasurer presented the following facts, which are causes for an abundant thanksgiving:

Amount invested in bonds and notes.....	\$ 4,880 00
Cash collected at Conference and held for investment.....	1,641 97
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Total.....	\$ 6,521 97
Total last year.....	5,101 73
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Increase	\$ 1,420 24

During the year E. H. Easterling of Cold Springs, Miss., has turned over to the Treasurer \$50, and Woodville, through Colonel J. H. Jones, reports a collection of \$220.

The note of the Joint Board of Finance has been reduced by the payment of \$800 on the principal and \$160 on the interest.

The receipt of \$175, with interest added, \$10.50, making a total of \$185.50, from the Rev. Geo. M. Barton, completes the payment of the balance of the Van Houten Trust Fund due by the Rev. Wm. P. Barton, Agent of the Mississippi Annual Conference.

This enables the Board of Trustees to rehabilitate the Van Houten Bequest Fund.

We now have the following funds:

Van Houten Bequest.....	\$1,000 00
Henderson Bequest.....	500 00
P. A. Johnston Bequest.....	500 00

How much longer would we keep green the memory of our departed loved ones, if we would follow the example of the Bartons, Hendersons and Johnstons! The payment of \$500 more will grant the right to the parties contributing to name the fund.

We suggest that our pastors present this phase of our work in their respective charges.

We trust that under the blessing of God, we shall be able to report \$10,000 on hand in good investments, when the Conference meets at Meridian, December, 1903.

Help us, our brethren, to realize our highest hopes.

In this connection we are able to announce the organization of the Board of Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund by the election of Rev. J. W. Chambers, President; Rev. B. S. Rayner, Vice President; Colonel J. H. Jones, Secretary, and Rev. B. F. Jones, Treasurer,

In behalf of the Trustees,

JOHN W. CHAMBERS, Secretary.

The following report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was adopted:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS—1902.

RECEIPTS—FOREIGN.

Amount from 1901.....	\$ 14 06
“ “ Vicksburg District.....	937 20
“ “ Forest District.....	1,200 00
“ “ Natchez District.....	1,200 00
“ “ Brookhaven District.....	1,213 67
“ “ Meridian District.....	1,304 00
“ “ Sea Shore District.....	1,392 43
“ “ Jackson District.....	1,407 22—\$8,668 58

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expense account.....	\$	9	51	
Conference Missionary Secretary.....		30	00	
Printing Minutes.....		32	50	
J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer.....		8,596	57	—\$8,668 58

RECEIPTS—DOMESTIC.

Amount from 1901.....	\$	19	43	
“ “ Natchez District.....		548	00	
“ “ Vicksburg District.....		568	60	
“ “ Forest District.....		642	00	
“ “ Jackson District.....		642	00	
“ “ Meridian District.....		666	95	
“ “ Brookhaven District.....		708	80	
“ “ Sea Shore.....		880	25	—\$4,676 03

EXPENDITURES.

Expense account.....	\$	4	58	
Conference Missionary Secretary.....		20	00	
Printing Minutes.....		20	00	
Domestic Missionaries.....		4,631	45	—\$4,676 03

W. L. LINFIELD, Treasurer.

On motion it was ordered that an Auditing Committee, consisting of the Treasurers of the various Boards and the Statistical Secretary be elected, whose duty it shall be to reconcile the discrepancies in the statistical reports presented by the pastors.

The report of the Board of Missions was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

BRETHREN:—The Board of Missions again bring glad tidings to you of prosperity that God has bestowed upon us. Though it seemed that on last year we had reached the limit of large contributions, this year greater benevolence and liberality have been manifested throughout the bounds of the Mississippi Conference. The receipts for foreign missions have been \$8654.52, being more than one hundred dollars in advance of last year. For domestic missions \$4656.60 have been raised, being over eleven hundred dollars above last year's collections.

Two districts paid the foreign missionary assessment in full, i. e. the Natchez and the Forest. One has overpaid both, foreign by \$112, and domestic by \$44.00, namely, the Sea Shore.

The General Board of Missions has increased the assessment for foreign missions to ten thousand dollars, and the domestic mission assessment has been placed at five thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars, which have been apportioned as follows:

	Foreign.	Domestic.
Sea Shore District	\$1550.00	\$950.00
Jackson "	1525.00	925.00
Meridian "	1525.00	925.00
Brookhaven "	1525.00	925.00
Forest "	1350.00	800.00
Vicksburg "	1300.00	750.00
Natchez "	1225.00	700.00

We urge the brethren in those sections of the State where rapidly growing towns have not yet been occupied to pave the way as speedily as possible for regular appointments of our church.

Never have such demands been made for domestic mission funds, yet the church has rallied to the call and willingly met the assessments.

It has been the policy of the Board of Missions in its domestic work during the past few years, to render all aid possible to those charges that readily yield large results without neglecting those places which will be mission fields for many years. Much of the prosperity that many of our most important charges enjoy to-day is largely due to the timely aid given by the Mission Board: Among these are Capitol St. Jackson, East End, Gulfport and Laurel. Especially do we call attention to Court Street Church, Hattiesburg, which in two years has become a strong congregation and will in all probability become self-sustaining. We enter new fields praying God's continuous guidance and mercies.

The Board of Missions calls attention to the plan of the Parent Board in the effort to secure support of missionaries by individuals. There are laymen and pastoral charges that have rendered much aid in this movement but we urge that this cause be more fully presented to the laymen of our church. We would indeed be glad to see Dr. Farn supported for many years by the Epworth Leagues of the Mississippi Conference as a special work and we urge that this cause be presented to every League.

We beg the brethren to give all assistance to the "Womans Foreign Missionary Society" and the "Womans Home Mission Society" and to see that every Sunday school missionary society becomes an institution for properly instilling the true missionary idea as well as raising collections. The retiring board is glad to hear that the new one has arranged for a mid-year meeting.

The following amounts have been paid to those serving the following missions:

Wesley Chapel.....	\$ 271.63	Homochitto.....	\$ 90.33
Gloster	90.33	Liberty.....	90.33
Binnsville	90.33	N. Kemper	90.33
S. Side.....	90.33	Porterville.....	90.33
Wayne.....	90.33	Middleton.....	90.33
Winchester.....	67.75	Leaksville.....	90.33
Bay St. Louis.....	225.84	Gulfport.....	180.67
Biloxi.....	135.67	Ocean Springs.....	180.67
Hattiesburg, Court St.....	225.48	Marion.....	90.33
Beauregard.....	135.50	Terry.....	135.50
Bogue Chitto.....	135.50	Pleasant Grove.....	67.75
Tailorsville.....	90.33	Edinburg.....	90.33
Ellisville Circuit.....	90.33	Laurel, 5th Avenue.....	271.62
Indian Mission.....	361.37	S. Vicksburg.....	271.62
Warren.....	90.33	Anguilla.....	67.75
Fannin.....	180.67	Thomasville.....	90.33
Sharon.....	90.33	Anding and Lintoniz.....	180.67

The Board of Missions wishes to thank Rev. W. L. Linfield for his faithfulness as treasurer.

The Board recommends Rev. T. L. Mellen as financial agent for the Choctaw Mission and also as Conference Missionary Secretary.

The following have been allowed assistance by the Mission Board for 1903.

Ellisville	\$ 100	Biloxi.....	\$ 200
Tailorsville.....	50	Washington St.....	400
Laurel, 5th St.....	400	Grace and Cary.....	100
Edinburg.....	100	Anguilla.....	75
Indian Mission.....	500	Wilkinson.....	100
N. Kemper.....	100	Gloster.....	100
Portersville.....	150	Liberty.....	100
Wayne.....	100	Wesley Chapel.....	300
Cottondale.....	500	Rankin St.....	150
Court St.....	150	Simpson.....	100
Ocean Springs.....		Thomasville.....	100
Long Beach.....	300	Westville.....	100
Scranton.....	250	Lintonia.....	150
Nicholson.....	100	Fannin.....	100
Hub.....	50	Beauregard.....	75
Marion.....	150	S. McComb.....	400
Bay St. Louis.....	150	Osyka.....	150

H. W. VANHOOK,

Secretary, Board of Missions.

The report of the Sunday School Board was read and adopted:

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—Your Sunday School Board submit the following report:

Your Board this year has done more satisfactory and efficient work

in the distribution of Sunday School literature to needy schools than heretofore. It has recognized no application for aid where the evidence did not fully justify in classing the object as needy.

We are glad to be able to report an improvement in the observance of Children's Day on the part of pastors and superintendents, and a more liberal response to the collections by the various charges. The receipts this year have far exceeded those of last, and, we believe, there is a healthy growth. However, some of the brethren are still delinquent, and either neglect or refuse to observe the day as the Discipline directs.

In accordance with paragraph 243 of the Discipline, a Conference Sunday School Convention was held last March at Utica which has been of great benefit to the Sunday School interests of the Conference. Dr. H. M. Hamill was with us on that occasion. The next convention will be held at Hattiesburg some time in April or May next, and Prof. and Mrs. H. M. Hamill have been invited by the new Board to hold an Institute in connection therewith.

The Board urges upon pastors the importance of introducing the Bible Teachers' Study Circle into their Sunday Schools for the preparation of teachers.

At a meeting of the General Sunday School Board, Sept. 9, 1902, a resolution was unanimously passed requesting each of the Annual Conferences to set apart a night as early as practicable in the session for the holding of a Sunday School anniversary, and we ask a compliance with this request.

N. A. MOTT, President.
JNO. D. ELLIS, Secretary.

On motion, H. M. Ellis and R. L. Bennett were elected Trustees of the Mississippi Orphans' Home.

The following report of the Board of Church Extension was read and adopted:

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN—Your Board of Church Extension beg leave to make the following report:

The books of the Treasurer show the collections to be greatly in advance of those of last year, viz: about 80 per cent of the assessments or seven per cent above last year's collections. We earnestly recommend that the Presiding Elders of the several Districts bring the interests of this Board as prominently before the District Conference as the interests of other Boards of the Church. Your Board would reaffirm the importance of having applications in hand by the 1st of October of

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each year. This will give an opportunity to look fully into the merits of the claims, and in some instances to have members of the Board visit the charges from which the applications come.

We suggest the following assessments on the several districts:

Vicksburg District.....	\$ 500 00
Jackson District.....	600 00
Seashore District.....	650 00
Meridian District.....	550 00
Natchez District.....	400 00
Brookhaven District.....	650 00
Forest District.....	400 00

Our Treasurer's book shows as follows:

To balance on hand Sept. 1, 1902.....	\$ 43 94
To amount refunded by G. S. Harmon.....	75 00
To amount general collection for 1902.....	2,736 37
Total.....	<u>\$2,855 31</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid to Dr. Whisner.....	\$1,316 50
“ “ for printing minutes.....	32 00
“ “ account Executive Committee.....	17 81
“ “ Rankin Street, Jackson.....	75 00
“ “ Tuscanola.....	100 00
“ “ Collins.....	200 00
“ “ Friendship.....	75 00
“ “ Independence.....	50 00
“ “ Alice.....	75 00
“ “ Pocahontas.....	40 00
“ “ Oloh.....	200 00
“ “ South McComb.....	150 00
“ “ Concord.....	100 00
“ “ Laurel, Fifth Avenue.....	150 00
“ “ Laurel, Kingston.....	150 00
“ “ Hattiesburg, Court Station.....	100 00
	<u>\$2,855 31</u>

L. S. JONES, President.
J. T. ABNEY, Secretary.

Dr. P. H. Whisner, Secretary of the General Board of Church Extension addressed the Conference.

On motion the time of the session was extended to hear Dr. Whisner's remarks.

On motion of T. L. Mellen it was ordered that when Conference adjourn it adjourn to meet at 7:30 this evening in the main Auditorium of the Church.

The Boards for the ensuing quadrennium reported their organization as follows:

ORGANIZATION OF BOARDS.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—W. M. Sullivan, President; B. F. Lewis, Secretary; W. L. Linfield, Treasurer.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION—J. W. Crisler, President; N. B. Harmon, Secretary; W. M. Williams, Treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD—J. S. Parker, President; N. A. Mott, Secretary; J. W. Crisler, Treasurer.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD—H. W. Featherstun, President; J. R. Jones, Secretary.

BIBLE SOCIETY BOARD—R. Bradley, President; H. P. Howse, Secretary; H. L. Norton, Treasurer.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—W. H. Huntley, President; Robert Selby, Secretary; R. W. Millsaps, Treasurer.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE—J. W. Chambers, President; Paul D. Hardin, Secretary; W. M. Thornton, Treasurer.

After announcements the Conference joined in singing the doxology and adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Bishop Key.

FIFTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI, DEC. 15th, 1902.

The Conference met at 7:30 P. M. in the Jefferson St. Church, Bishop Key in the chair.

J. M. Weems conducted the opening devotional exercises—reading the second Psalm, announcing hymn No. 232, and leading in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Bishops be respectfully requested to

appoint Wednesday instead of Thursday the opening day of the annual session of the Conference.

T. L. MELLEN,
H. M. ELLIS,
T. B. HOLLOMAN.

The report of the editors of the minutes of the last session of the conference was read and adopted as follows:

Mississippi Annual Conference in account with A. F. Watkins, and M. L. Burton, Editors of the Minutes, Session 1901.

DEBIT.

To cash from J. A. B. Jones.....	\$ 4 80
“ “ Joint Board.....	32 50
“ “ Foreign Mission Board.....	30 00
“ “ Domestic Mission Board.....	20 00
“ “ Church Extension Board.....	32 50
“ “ Education Board.....	32 50
“ “ Sunday School Board.....	35 00
“ “ Stamps.....	59
“ “ Advertising.....	44 05—\$231 94

CREDIT.

By cash for printing 3500 Minutes.....	\$ 182 50
“ “ Stamps.....	19 23
“ “ Express.....	25 80
“ “ Wrapping cord.....	25
Balance on hand.....	4 16—231 94

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT.

DEBIT.

To Balance reported above.....	\$ 4 16
“ cash from collection.....	20 28—\$24 44

CREDIT

By cash on Journal to Dallas and return.....	\$ 1 80
“ Typewriting Journal.....	23 50
“ Binding Journal.....	2 50
“ Statistical Secretary's Book.....	2 00
“ Express on Minutes to Natchez.....	50—\$30 30
Deficit.....	5 86

A. F. WATKINS,
M. L. BURTON.

A. F. Watkins moved that H. M. Ellis be elected to assist the secretary in the editing of the Minutes of the present session and the motion prevailed.

The following was read:

Resolved, That this Conference respectfully petition the Mississippi Legislature at its next meeting to enact a statute prohibiting the liquor traffic.

H. W. Featherstun,
Charles W. Crisler,
B. F. Jones,
I. W. Cooper,
G. H. Galloway,
L. S. Jones.

A. F. Watkins moved that the resolution be amended so as to read as follows:

"That the Conference respectfully petition the Mississippi Legislature to submit to the people of Mississippi a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of vinous and alcoholic liquors," and the motion prevailed.

On motion the resolution as amended was adopted.

W. B. Lewis presented the following which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

The Epworth League Board submit the following as their Annual Report:

Our General Secretary reports "That the Epworth League has shown signs of life and activity since the beginning of the new quadrennium. The concern and favorable action of the late General Conference have greatly stimulated the Spirit of the work throughout the connection. The League meetings held during the past summer have been uniformly the best in the history of the organization. Everywhere they have been marked by spirituality and an intelligent grasp of the League's responsibility as an auxiliary of the Church." We rejoice to have so favorable a report of this department of our work. We call attention to the effort of our late General Conference to put the Epworth League on a footing of self support. And we recommend that our pastors urge upon their local League chapters, the importance of responding to the assessment levied upon them. This ten cent assessment is too small to be burdensome to any one, and yet if it is faithfully carried out, it will go a long way towards the maintenance of the general League organization.

In this connection it is proper to call attention to the paragraph in the new Discipline which particularly charges pastors concerning the organization of Junior Epworth Leagues for pastoral instruction of children.

While we commend the Literary and Social features of the League movement, we do not think anything should overshadow the Spiritual,

and the department of charity and help. We do not believe a useful Epworth League can be operated in any Church where the young people are not religious.

In our judgment one of the great opportunities of the League is to develop a missionary spirit among the young people of the church. We therefore recommend that mission study classes be formed wherever practicable, and that missionary collections be taken in our League meetings, and thus bring our young people in vital touch with the great forward movement of our Methodism.

We are glad to see the Epworth Era maintaining a high standard of excellence, and we heartily commend it to our young people as worthy of their liberal patronage. It is ably edited by an honored member of our own body.

We offer the following resolutions:

First, That we will endeavor, whenever practicable, to organize Epworth Leagues, and Junior Epworth Leagues, where they do not already exist.

Second, That we endorse the organization of the Conference League in lieu of the State League Conference, and pledge our co-operation in the work of that body.

Third, That we urge our Presiding Elders to co-operate with the District Secretaries appointed by order of the Conference League in securing and maintaining District League Conferences.

Fourth. That we commend the Seashore Epworth League Assembly and urge our Leaguers to attend this superb school of League methods.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. LEWIS, Chairman.

The following questions were asked and answered, viz:

Question Twenty-one: "What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?" Answer: "Local preachers: 91; Members: 42,328."

Question Twenty-two: "How many infants have been baptized during the year?" Answer: "1117."

Question twenty-three: "How many adults have been baptized during the year?" Answer. "1222."

Question Twenty-four: "What is the number of Epworth Leagues?" Answer: "59."

Question Twenty-five: "What is the number of Epworth League Members?" Answer: "2147."

Question Twenty-six: "What is the number of Sunday-schools?" Answer: "385."

Question Twenty-seven: "What is the number of Sunday-school teachers?" Answer: "2261."

Question Twenty-eight: "What is the number of Sunday-school scholars?" Answer: "20,777."

Question Twenty-nine: "What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of preachers?" Answer: "\$7,000."

Question Thirty: "What has been collected on the foregoing amount, and how has it been applied?" Answer: "\$6318.12. (See Report of the Joint Board of Finance.)

Question Thirty-one: "What has been contributed for Missions?" Answer: "Foreign: \$8605.40. Domestic: \$4638.00."

Question Thirty-two: "What has been contributed for Church Extension?" Answer: "\$2,693.55."

Question Thirty-three: "What has been done for the American Bible Society?" Answer: "\$984.82 collected."

Question Thirty-four: "What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge?" Answer: "Presiding Elders: \$9,826.68. Preachers in charge: \$75,023.46."

Question Thirty-five: "What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?" Answer: "\$1467.36."

Question Thirty-six: "What is the number of societies and houses of worship owned by them?" Answer: "Number of Societies: 499. Houses of worship: 434."

Question Thirty-seven: "What is the value of houses of worship and the amount of indebtedness thereon?" Answer: "Value: \$498,805. Indebtedness: \$8,314."

Question Thirty-eight: "What is the number of pastoral charges and of parsonages owned by them?" Answer: "Pastoral charges: 135. Parsonages: 116."

Question Thirty-nine: "What is the value of parsonages and what the indebtedness thereon?" Answer: "Value: \$123,560. Indebtedness: \$4,535.00."

Question Forty: "What is the number of districts and of district parsonages?" Answer: "Districts: 7. District parsonages: 6."

Question Forty-one: "What is the value of district parsonages and what is the indebtedness thereon?" Answer: "Value, \$13,200; Indebtedness, \$3,450."

Question Forty-two: "What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed by fire or storm this year and what was the amount of damage?" Answer: Churches damaged, 1; Amount of damage, \$300.

Question Forty-three: "What are the Insurance statistics?" Answer: Insurance carried, \$164,150; Losses sustained, none; Premiums paid, \$1,390.05; Collections on losses, none.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That hereafter, the first evening of the conference session be set apart for the sacramental service.

H. M. ELLIS,
B. F. JONES.

The following resolutions of thanks were read and adopted by a rising vote:

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved, 1. That we hereby tender to the good people of Natchez our most cordial thanks for their gracious and unsparing hospitality and we invoke upon them the blessings of the great Head of the Church.

2. That, we are deeply grateful to the pastors of the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches and also to the pastors of the colored Methodist Churches for their courtesy in inviting us to occupy their pulpits on the Sabbath, and to the session of the Presbyterian Church for the excellent room tendered the Board of Church Extension for its use during the conference.

3. That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the Pica-yune, Times-Democrat, the Natchez Democrat and the Natchez Bulletin for their elaborate and accurate reports of our Conference proceedings.

4. That we hereby express our appreciation of the excellent service rendered by our faithful and efficient secretaries and to the Rev. J. E. Carpenter, the pastor of the Jefferson Street Church, and to his zealous and accomodating committee of arrangements for their diligence and thoughtfulness in providing for our entertainment.

M. M. BLACK,
C. F. EMERY.

There being no further business, the minutes of the session were read and approved.

Question forty-six: "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" was asked and answered as follows:

THE APPOINTMENTS.

The figures show the number of years served consecutively in the same appointment.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	W. H. Huntley	1
Vicksburg, Crawford St....	T. B. Holloman	1
Vicksburg, Washington St. To be supplied		
Rolling Fork.....	H. L. Norton	1
Grace and Cary.....	W. D. Dominick	1
Anguilla.....	R. E. Rutledge	1
Mayersville.....	H. P. Lewis, Jr.	1
Warren.....	J. W. Campbell	1
Edwards.....	V. D. Skipper	4
Satartia.....	C. McDonald	1
Bolton.....	M. M. Black	1
Utica.....	W. H. Lewis	4
Rocky Springs.....	J. T. Abney	2
Hermanville.....	G. P. McKeown	2
Port Gibson.....	H. R. Singleton	
Port Gibson Female College.....		1
L. S. Jones, Pres. and Financial Agent		4

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	W. B. Lewis	1
Jackson, First Church....	W. T. Bolling	1
Jackson, Rankin Street.....	to be supplied	
Jackson, Capitol Street.....	H. M. Ellis	1
Fannin.....	C. S. Embree	1
Brandon.....	R. D. Norsworthy	1
Thomasville.....	W. A. Terry	4
Florence.....	M. H. Moore	1
Westville.....	Supplied by R. W. Thurman	2
Madison.....	L. Carley	1
Flora.....	J. R. Jones	2
Canton.....	N. B. Harmon	4
Sharon.....	H. A. Gatlin	3
Simpson.....	H. T. Carley	1
Tranquil.....	S. N. Young	1
Silver Creek.....	H. J. Moore	2
Lake City.....	D. C. Langford	1
Yazoo City.....	J. M. Weems	1
Lintonia.....	H. B. Watkins	3
Benton.....	Supplied by W. W. Graves	1
Vaughan.....	T. B. Cottrell	4
Millsaps College..	J. A. Moore, (Professor)	9
Epworth League Secretary..	H. M. DuBose	5
Agent Endowment Fund for Superannuated Preachers.....	A. F. Watkins	1

FOREST DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	J. M. Morse	1
Forest.....	J. D. Ellis	2
Morton and Pelahatchie.....	G. S. Harmon	2
Scott.....	J. W. Thompson	2
Harperville.....	Supplied by Irvin Miller	3
Walnut Grove.....	M. L. White	1
Shiloh.....	W. W. Morse	2
Trenton.....	C. M. Crossley	1
Raleigh.....	J. D. Crymes	1
Taylorsville.....	R. S. Gale	2
Mont Rose.....	J. E. Lewis	1
Lake.....	W. J. Dawson	3
Newton and Hickory.....	J. W. Crisler	3
Decatur.....	Jas. E. Williams	2
Carthage.....	J. M. Corley	1
Edinburg.....	Supplied by W. H. Lane	2
Rose Hill.....	J. T. Nicholson	1
Vossburg and Heidelberg....	P. D. Hardin	2
Eucutta.....	Chas. M. Chapman	1
Ellisville.....	Jno. A. Moore	1
Ellisville Circuit.....	Supplied by W. W. Murray	1
Laurel, Main St.	D. P. Bradford	1
Laurel, 5th St. and Kingston.....		
.....	Supplied by W. W. Hopper	1
Neshoba.....	L. E. Alford	2
Indian Mission.....	W. W. Moore	1

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	W. W. Simmons	2
Meridian, Central.....	J. W. Lewis	2
Meridian, East End.....	T. B. Clifford	1
Meridian, West End.....	D. Scarborough	2
Meridian, South Side and Poplar Springs..		
.....	F. B. Ormond	2
Meridian, Cottondale Mission..	E. C. Grice	1
Chunkey.....	W. L. Blackwell	1
DeKalb.....	B. W. Lewis	2
Binnsville.....	J. L. Red	1
Porterville.....	L. J. Jones	1
Lauderdale.....	V. V. Boone	2
Vimville.....	J. C. Ellis	1
North Kemper.....	F. L. Crowson	1
Enterprise and Stonewall.....	R. F. Witt	1
Pachuta.....	H. Mellard	2
Shubuta and Quitman.....	G. A. Guice	2

Matherville.....	E. L. Alford	1
Waynesboro.....	W. L. Linfield	1
Wayne Mission.....	F. M. Williams	1
Winchester.....	G. W. Huff	1
Daleville.....	J. H. Foreman	1
Leakesville.....	Supplied by W. P. Donnell	1
Middleton.....	To be supplied	

SEASHORE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	T. L. Mellen	1
Moss Point.....	W. C. Black	1
Americus.....	T. J. O'Neil	3
Escatawpa.....	R. H. Barr	1
Biloxi.....	H. W. VanHook	3
Gulf Port.....	G. H. Galloway	1
Ocean Springs and Long Beach.....	J. G. Galloway	3
Seranton.....	W. B. Jones	1
Coalville.....	R. A. Sibley, Jr.	1
Pearlington and Logtown.....	C. F. Emery	1
Bay St. Louis.....	W. W. Cammack	3
Mt. Olive.....	B. S. Rayner	2
Lumberton.....	G. H. Thompson	2
Poplarville and Purvis.....	J. S. Parker	2
Eastabuchie.....	supplied by C. C. Griffin	2
Columbia.....	W. M. Williams	4
Marion.....	J. E. J. Ferguson	2
Hattiesburg, Main St.....	H. W. Featherstun	1
Hattiesburg, Court St.....	W. M. Sullivan	2
Brooklyn.....	G. R. Ellis	2
McHenry.....	W. L. Hightower	2
Vancleave.....	W. A. Thurman	2
Williamsburg.....	C. C. Gibson	2
Nicholson.....	Supplied by T. J. Norsworthy	2
Mt. Carmel.....	H. B. Vandenberg	2
T. L. Mellen.....	Conference Missionary Sec'y.	8

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	B. F. Jones	3
Adams.....	W. J. Ferguson	2
Bayou Pierre.....	T. H. King	4
Beauregard.....	J. J. Golden	1

Bogue Chitto.....	To be supplied	
Brookhaven.....	C. W. Crisler	3
Caseyville.....	R. Bradley	2
Crystal Springs.....	R. Selby	1
Fernwood.....	E. F. Edgar	3
Gallman.....	H. P. Lewis	1
Hazlehurst.....	J. A. B. Jones	2
Magnolia.....	B. F. Lewis	2
McComb City.....	J. W. Chambers	3
Osyka.....	J. W. Sandell	1
Pleasant Grove.....	Supplied by M. G. Felder	2
Providence.....	J. N. Ware	1
South McComb.....	H. C. Brown	1
Summit.....	M. L. Burton	2
Terry.....	To be supplied	
Topisaw.....	P. H. Howse	1
Tylertown.....	M. J. Miller	2
Wesson.....	I. L. Peebles	3
Whitworth.....	I. W. Cooper, President	1
Whitworth, H. G. Hawkins, Vice-President		1
Orphans Home.....	W. T. Griffin, Manager	2

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder.....	T. W. Adams	3
Natchez, Jefferson St.....	J. E. Carpenter	4
Natchez, Wesley Chapel.....	J. W. Brown	2
Washington.....	C. N. Guice	2
Fayette.....	W. H. Sanders	2
Barlow.....	F. A. Grimes	2
Hamburg.....	C. C. Evans	2
Liberty.....	J. E. Gray	1
Gloster and Sam Jones Camp Ground.....	W. G. Forsyth	2
J. W. McLaurin, Supernumerary.....		
Centerville.....	C. A. Powell	2
Wilkinson.....	E. J. Coker	2
Woodville.....	W. L. C. Hunnicutt	3
Percy Creek.....	C. D. Cecil	3
Meadville.....	W. F. Baggett	1
Harriston.....	A. D. Miller	4
Roxie.....	To be supplied	

CONDENSED MINUTES.

Question One: Who are admitted on trial? James William Thompson, William Burwell Jones, Henry Thompson Carley, Shadrack Nathaniel Young, Edward Jackson Coker.

Question Two: Who remain on trial? J. E. Williams, E. C. Grice, J. L. Red, C. C. Gibson, J. M. Corley, W. L. Blackwell, J. E. J. Ferguson.

Question Three: Who are discontinued? None.

Question Four: Who are admitted into full connection? H. B. Watkins, C. N. Guice, J. E. Gray, M. A. Thurman, H. P. Lewis, Jr.

Question Five: Who are readmitted? None.

Question Six: Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? I. W. Cöoper, T. B. Clifford, J. E. Lewis, W. T. Bolling.

Question Seven: Who are the deacons of one year? J. R. Jones, J. J. Golden, J. W. Campbell, G. S. Harmon, W. L. Hightower, M. J. Miller, E. L. Alford, R. L. Phillips, J. C. Ellis.

Question Eight: What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Herbert Brown Watkins, Clarence Norman Guice, John Early Gray, Mancil Albert Thurman.

Question Nine: What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Herbert Brown Watkins, Clarence Norman Guice, John Early Gray, Mancil Albert Thurman.

Question Ten: What local preachers are elected deacons? Claude Mitchel Simpson, William Henry Lane, James LaFayette Red, Edward Amiss Roads.

Question Eleven: What local preachers are ordained deacons? Claude Mitchel Simpson, William Henry Lane, James LaFayette Red, Edward Amiss Roads.

Question Twelve: What traveling preachers are elected elders? George Preston McKeown, Walter Anderson Terry, Henry Anderson Gatlin, Clarence M. Crossley, John Henry Foreman, Thomas Joseph O'Neil, George Washington Huff, Thomas H. King.

Question Thirteen: What traveling preachers are ordained elders? George Preston McKeown, Walter Anderson Terry, Henry Anderson Gatlin, Clarence M. Crossley, John Henry Foreman, Thomas Joseph O'Neil, George W. Huff, Thomas H. King.

Question Fourteen: What local preachers are elected elders? Thomas Henry Harrod.

Question Fifteen: What local preachers are ordained elders? Thomas Henry Harrod.

Question Sixteen: Who are located this year? W. H. Mounger, E. H. Mounger.

Question Seventeen: Who are supernumerary? J. W. McLaurin, J. G. Cammack.

Question Eighteen: Who are superannuated? J. A. Vance, R. A. Sibley, L. P. Meador, R. B. Downer, H. R. Caldwell, J. H.

Evans, D. G. W. Ellis, T. W. Brown, W. W. Hurst, H. D. Howell, N. B. Young, P. Howard, W. G. Backus, I. B. Robertson, R. L. Phillips.

Question Nineteen: What preachers have died during the past year? R. J. Jones, J. P. Drake, J. H. Holland, J. W. Harmon.

Question Twenty: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called one by one and their characters examined and passed.

Question Twenty-One: What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? 91 local preachers; 42,328 members.

Question Twenty-Two: How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,117.

Question Twenty-Three: How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,222.

Question Twenty-Four: What is the number of Epworth Leagues? Senior 47; Junior 12. Total 59.

Question Twenty-Five: What is the number of Epworth League members? Senior 1,637; Junior 510. Total 2,147.

Question Twenty-Six: What is the number of Sunday-schools? 385.

Question Twenty-Seven: What is the number of Sunday-school teachers? 2,261.

Question Twenty-Eight: What is the number of Sunday-school scholars enrolled during Conference year? 20,777.

Question Twenty-Nine: What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$7,000.

Question Thirty: What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$6,318.12. See report, Joint Board of Finance.

Question Thirty-One: What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, \$8,605.40; Domestic, \$4,638.00.

Question Thirty-Two: What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,693.55.

Question Thirty-Three: What has been done for the American Bible Society? Collected \$827.35.

Question Thirty-Four: What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$9,826.68; Preachers in charge, \$75,023.46.

Question Thirty-Five. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1,467.36.

Question Thirty-Six: What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of Societies, 499; Number of Houses of Worship, 434.

Question Thirty Seven: What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$489,805.00; Indebtedness, \$8,314.33.

Question Thirty-Eight: What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 135; Number of parsonages, 116.

Question Thirty-Nine: What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$123,560.00; Indebtedness, \$4,535.00.

Question Forty: What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 7; Number of district parsonages, 6.

Question Forty-One: What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$13,200.00; Indebtedness, \$3,450.00.

Question Forty-Two: What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 1; Amount of damage, \$300.00.

Question Forty-Three: What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$164,150.00; losses sustained, none; premiums paid, \$1,390.05; collections on losses, none.

Question Forty-Four: What are the educational statistics? Number of institutions, 6; Value property, \$256,300.00; Endowment, \$111,000.00; Professors, 83; Pupils, 1,075.

Question Forty-Five: Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Meridian.

Question Forty-Six: Where are the preachers stationed this year? See Appointments.

CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD, AS REVISED AND AMENDED AT THE REGULAR MEETING, DEC. 13, 1901.

PREAMBLE.

Feeling that we may aid each other by the organization of a Brotherhood on the mutual insurance plan, and that our families may derive benefit therefrom, therefore we, the undersigned traveling preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the State of

Mississippi, with a view to affording immediate assistance to the family of a deceased brother, and such superannuated members as may come under the regulations hereinafter specified, do pledge ourselves to each other, according to the term Brotherhood, hereinafter described.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This organization shall be known as the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article 2. Every effective traveling preacher of said Mississippi Conference, not over forty years of age, may be elected to membership.

Article 3. The membership of this Brotherhood shall not extend beyond the limits of said Mississippi Conference, except in the case of the transfer of a member to another Conference, when said member so transferred may continue his membership by complying with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Brotherhood.

Article 4. Any person may become an honorary member of this Brotherhood, with all its privileges and obligations, except to be a claimant on the mortuary fund.

Article 5. The officers of said Brotherhood shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Board of Managers of five, and such other officers as may from time to time be elected.

Article 6. The officers of said Brotherhood shall be elected, quadriennially, at the time and place of the meeting of the annual Conference, by receiving a plurality of the votes cast by those present, and shall serve without compensation.

Article 7. Any permanently superannuated member may receive his benefit and thereby terminate his claim upon the mortuary fund of the Brotherhood; provided he be recommended by the Board of Managers at an annual meeting; and provided also there have not been more than two assessments made during the previous twelve months.

Article 8. It shall be the duty of each beneficiary member upon official notice to remit to the treasurer an assessment of \$5.00, and of each honorary member an assessment of \$1.00. If any member shall fail to pay said assessment within sixty days after the call of the Secretary, he shall be deprived, by suspension, of all benefits of the Brotherhood, and if said assessment shall not have been paid within four months, such delinquency shall work a forfeiture of membership.

Article 9. No part of the foregoing Constitution shall be changed or amended, except by a majority vote of the beneficiary members of the Brotherhood.

BY-LAWS.

Section 1. The officers of the Brotherhood shall perform such

duties as usually pertain to such offices in similar organizations, and in addition thereto such other duties as have been specified in the Constitution.

Section 2. The regular meeting of the Brotherhood shall be held at the place and time of meeting of the Mississippi Conference, on such day and at such hour as the President may designate, by giving due notice by proclamation in the Conference, as other notices are given; and the members of the Brotherhood present, after such notice is given, shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

Section 3. The Board of Managers shall at all times have access to the books of the Secretary and Treasurer and shall have power of removal from these offices for sufficient cause, and to fill all vacancies that may occur. All matters of complaint shall be referred to them, and they shall have power in the interim of the regular meetings of the Brotherhood to advise, direct and control the affairs of the Brotherhood within the restrictions of the Constitution.

Section 4. Each and every person seeking admission into the Brotherhood as a beneficiary member shall take upon himself this pledge: "I do hereby promise to comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, paying my annual dues and all assessments whenever notified and requested so to do, and to use all diligence in building up and promoting the interest of the Brotherhood; and in default thereof I agree to forfeit all my rights and privileges under said Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 5. Any member suspended for non-payment of dues or assessments, may be re-instated at any time by paying to the Treasurer the dues and assessments which have accrued during the past twelve months, provided said suspended member is not beyond the age of forty years; if beyond the age of forty years he may be re-instated after paying also all assessments that have accrued since his suspension.

Section 6. These By-Laws, or any of them, may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Brotherhood.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Prayer.
2. Calling Roll.
3. Reports of Officers: 1st, President; 2nd, Secretary; 3rd, Treasurer; 4th, Board of Managers; 5th, Committees.
4. Motions and Resolutions.
5. Appointment of Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Election of Officers.
8. Reading and Adoption of Minutes.
9. Adjournment.

**Table No. 1—Membership, Baptisms, and Church Property.
JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.**

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR REPORTING			Local Preachers.	Members.	Total members.	Additions on Pro- fession of Faith.	Additions by Certif- cate or Otherwise.	Removals by Death, Certif. or Otherwise.	Adults Baptized.
1	Jackson, First Church.....	W. C. Black	5	749	754	81	65	70	27
2	Jackson, Capitol St.	J. T. Leggett		322	322	10	22	22	2
3	Fannin	H. P. Lewis		208	208	14	8	26	4
4	Brandon	R. Selby	1	167	168		6	14	
5	Thomasville	W. A. Terry		263	263	8	5	2	7
6	Florence	G. M. Hull	1	485	486				
7	Westville	W. W. Graves		326	326	12	30	4	12
8	Madison	M. H. Moore		213	213	2	30	20	2
9	Flora	J. R. Jones		140	140	12	14	14	10
10	Canton	N. B. Harmon		234	234	15		11	3
11	Sharon	H. A. Gatlin	1	170	171	9	1	4	5
12	Camden	J. J. Golden	1	353	354	9	10	23	3
13	Tranquill	J. W. Campbell		372	372	26	9	18	17
14	Silver Creek	H. J. Moore		48	48	1	4	5	
15	Lake City	J. D. Crymes	1	97	98	5		3	3
16	Yazo City	W. B. Lewis		418	418	17	39	64	3
17	Anding and Lintonia.....	H. B. Watkins		115	115	5	20	10	
18	Benton	R. F. Witt		185	185	11	1	12	7
19	Vaughn	T. B. Cottrell		267	267	6	34	4	4
Total			10	5732	5132	243	303	326	109
Total last year.....			9	5018	5027	321	522	523	135
Increase			1	114	115				
Decrease						78	219	197	26

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

1	Vicksburg, Crawford Street	H. R. Singleton		575	575		26	26	
2	South Vicksburg	C. M. Simpson		90	90		8	7	
3	Rolling Fork	J. G. Cammack		140	140	7	2	11	3
4	Anguilla	H. P. Lewis Jr		144	144	21	14	22	12
5	Mayersville	M. M. Black		120	120	11	9	11	1
6	Warren	W. H. Moulner		232	232		10	4	
7	Satartia	H. L. Norton	1	287	288	10		18	4
8	South Warren	R. E. Rutledge		178	178	6	12	32	1
9	Edwards	V. D. Skipper		354	354	5	12	7	4
10	Boltou	E. H. Moulner		186	186	2	6	12	
11	Utica	W. H. Lewis		356	356	8	5	10	3
12	Rocky Springs	J. T. Abney		289	289	1	2	25	1
13	Hermanville	G. P. McKeown		459	459	12	11	26	6
14	Port Gibson	L. S. Jones		204	204	12	8		
Total			1	3614	3615	95	115	211	35
Total last year			7	3632	3639	138	167	154	56
Increase								57	
Decrease			6	18	24	43	52		21

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

1	Meridian, Central	J. W. Lewis	1	671	671	26	53	35	9
2	Meridian, South Side	F. B. Ormond	1	178	179	3	33	19	3
3	Meridian, East End	D. P. Bradford	3	377	380	11	43	60	5
4	Meridian, West End	D. Scarborough		276	276	20	63	9	7
5	Chunkey	L. J. Jones	2	403	405	30	12	20	14
6	DeKalb	B. W. Lewis		327	327	10	2	9	5
7	Binnsville	W. G. Backus		273	273	7	4	8	6
8	Porterville	E. C. Grice		311	311	33	11	4	27
9	Landerdale	V. V. Boone		284	284	19	8	46	2
10	Vinville	J. L. Red	1	232	233	18	8	19	17
11	North Kemper	F. L. Crowson		442	442	35	22	42	10
12	Enterprise and Stonewall	H. M. Ellis	1	253	254	21	37	28	5
13	Pachuta	H. Mellard	2	434	436	6	21	31	
14	Shubuta	G. A. Guice		351	351	12	42	31	5
15	Mathersville	C. S. Embree	3	368	371	11	16	82	4
16	Middleton	A. Trotter		247	247	5	8	45	5
17	Waynesboro	C. F. Emery		198	198	14	26	10	6
18	Wayne Mission	W. W. Murray	1	221	222	21	6	14	10
19	Winchester	R. H. Barr		330	330	2	10	10	7
20	Daleville	P. H. Howse		516	516	40	25	12	25
21	Leakesville	W. L. Blackwell		244	244	9	16	4	6
Total			14	6856	6870	333	465	519	178
Total last year			13	6812	6825	514	403	569	213
Increase			1	44	46		62		
Decrease						181		50	35

Table No. 1—Membership, Baptisms, and Church Property.
JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.

Infants Baptized.	Societies in Charge.	No. of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Indebtedness on Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Parsonages.	Value of District Parsonages.	Indebtedness on District Parsonages.	Value of Other Church Property.	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.	No. of Churches Damaged or Destroyed.	Amount of Damage.	Insurance Carried.	Premiums Paid.	
17	1	3	25000	.....	1	3000	.....	2300	.....	10300 00	1012 51	..	.....	6000	.....	1
1	1	1	3000	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	15 00	150 00	.....	.....	2000	20 00	2
9	5	4	2000	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
1	1	1	4000	.....	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	168 25	.....	.....	500	18 75	4
...	6	5	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
...	6	5	4000	.....	1	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
...	5	4	1500	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	150 00	188 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
13	9	5	4800	160 00	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	700 00	.....	.....	800	8 00	8
8	3	3	2500	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	226 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
3	1	2	3700	.....	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
3	3	3	1700	.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	250 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
...	4	4	2500	.....	1	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00	.....	.....	2000	56 00	12
...	5	5	1425	.....	1	450	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
...	4	3	1500	.....	1	250	11 00	.....	.....	.....	64 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
4	3	4	1800	.....	1	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	750	22 50	15
17	1	1	1500	.....	1	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	580 00	.....	.....	9500	36 00	16
...	3	3	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	246 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
5	3	3	2600	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	225 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
...	5	4	3000	.....	1	1000	400 00	.....	.....	500 00	525 00	.....	.....	600	18 00	19
97	69	63	88025	160 00	16	19350	411 00	2300	.....	915 00	4587 00	.....	.....	22150	179 25	
105	67	62	83990	350 00	15	15000	36 00	2000	.....	1121 00	6098 16	.....	.....	22500	345 00	
...	2	1	4015	.....	1	4350	375 00	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	...	...	...	190 00	...	...	...	...	...	206 00	2511 16	...	...	350	165 75	

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

18	1	1	39200	7215	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	1500 00	.....	.....	11650	.....	1
2	1	1	1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	141 35	.....	.....	800	7 00	2
1	2	2	4000	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	100 00	50 00	.....	.....	1000	7 50	3
1	4	3	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
4	2	2	2200	.....	1	1100	.....	.....	.....	.....	179 55	.....	.....	1550	11 75	5
4	4	3	3500	.....	1	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
6	3	3	3500	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	350 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
5	4	4	3450	.....	1	500	.....	.....	.....	215 00	89 00	.....	.....	500	8 00	8
2	4	4	6000	.....	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	225 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
1	4	4	3700	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 75	.....	.....	2000	.....	10
16	3	3	5500	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	1600 00	.....	.....	3500	.....	11
18	5	4	3400	.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	100 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
4	6	6	5000	.....	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800	.....	13
4	1	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35000 00	50 00	.....	.....	5000	.....	14
86	44	41	86950	7215	11	13700	.....	.....	.....	30795 00	3867 65	.....	.....	26800	34 25	
88	42	40	93050	7440	13	16900	.....	.....	.....	30500 00	3471 70	.....	.....	13650	13 00	
...	2	1	6800	225	2	3200	.....	.....	.....	295 00	395 95	.....	.....	3150	11 25	

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

5	1	1	1800	.....	1	4500	250 00	.....	.....	28000 00	200 00	.....	.....	6500	29 00	1
1	2	2	2300	.....	1	800	125 00	.....	.....	.....	94 00	.....	.....	1400	.....	2
6	1	1	2600	.....	1	1500	212 00	2500	1800	.....	75 00	.....	.....	2700	17 50	3
1	1	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	208 10	.....	.....	1500	10 00	4
3	7	5	2500	.....	1	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
4	4	4	2300	.....	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
1	4	3	2500	.....	1	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
17	6	5	1200	.....	1	600	124 00	.....	.....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
4	5	4	2350	.....	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	131 35	.....	.....	1700	14 00	9
1	5	5	1700	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	646 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
8	6	6	2250	.....	1	350	121 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
6	3	3	5000	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 90	.....	.....	3500	55 00	12
6	6	6	2600	.....	1	700	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
...	2	2	3500	.....	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	200 00	117 00	.....	.....	2600	42 00	14
29	6	4	1500	.....	1	550	.....	.....	.....	.....	119 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
1	6	3	900	.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
6	3	2	1800	.....	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
8	6	3	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
12	5	5	2700	.....	1	625	.....	.....	.....	50 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	19
5	6	5	3545	.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	139 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	20
4	8	4	1400	.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
126	93	74	67045	.....	19	17525	832 00	2500	1800	28330 00	2104 00	.....	.....	19400	167 50	
183	94	80	64775	.....	19	16650	703 35	.....	.....	25530 00	3461 10	.....	.....	10835	80 00	
...	...	...	2270	.....	...	875	128 65	.....	.....	2800 00	.....	.....	.....	8565	87 50	
57	1	6	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	1357 0	...	...	...	...

Table No. 1—Membership, Baptisms, and Church Property.
FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR REPORTING		Local Preachers.	Members.	Total members.	Additions on Pro- fession of Faith.	Additions by Certif- cate or Otherwise.	Removals by Death, Certif. or Otherwise.	Adults Baptized.
1 Forest ..	J. D. Ellis.....	...	312	312	11	9	31	6
2 Morton and Pelahatchie.....	G. S. Harmon.....	...	238	238	8	20	35	6
3 Scott	J. W. Thompson .....	...	260	260	15	...	...	2
4 Harpersville	Irvin Miller	1	333	334	15	20	19	14
5 Walnut Grove	C. M. Crossley	2	566	568	17	5	18	8
6 Shiloh	W. W. Morse	3	650	653	62	5	16	22
7 Trenton	D. C. Langford	2	526	528	49	5	45	9
8 Raleigh	R. L. Phillips.....	1	428	429	37	9	3	11
9 Taylorsville	R. S. Gole .....	...	338	338	17	23	26	2
10 Montrose.....	J. N. Ware .....	...	385	385	7	11	23	2
11 Lake	W. J. Dawson .....	...	366	366	17	14	40	8
12 Newton and Hickory	J. W. Crisler	1	443	444	28	13	32	9
13 Decatur	J. E. Williams .....	...	410	410	17	3	25	10
14 Carthage	M. L. White .....	...	420	420	55	7	13	35
15 Edinburg	W. H. Lane	1	228	229	32	...	4	16
16 Rosehill	J. H. Foreman .....	...	455	455	33	4	50	5
17 Vossburg and Heidelberg.....	P. D. Hardin.....	...	272	272	36	30	43	10
18 Eucutta	J. M. Corley .....	...	353	353	58	16	21	27
19 Ellisville	R. D. Norsworthy	1	261	262	9	25	55	3
20 Ellisville Circuit	G. W. Shearer	1	74	75	9	54	2	9
21 Laurel	W. L. Linfield	1	363	364	6	83	104	3
22 Laurel, 5th Ave.....	— Dixon.....	...	53	53	...	65	12	...
23 Neshoba	L. E. Alford.....	...	529	529	33	9	103	12
24 Indian Mission.....	W. P. Donnell	2	154	156	40	...	1	40
Total.....		16	8817	8833	611	430	721	269
Total last year.....		20	8060	8080	784	652	619	458
Increase .....		...	757	753	...	...	102	189
Decrease		4	...	...	173	222	...	...

SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

1 Moss Point.....	H. W. Featherstun.....	1	188	189	16	14	8	7
2 Americus.....	T. J. O'Neil	1	569	510	26	15	16	18
3 Escatawpa	W. B. Jones.....	1	423	424	6	2	5	1
4 Biloxi	H. W. Van Hook	2	214	216	7	17	7	4
5 Ocean Springs and Scranton	J. G. Galloway	2	141	143	6	12	10	2
6 Gulfport	W. D. Dominick .....	...	550	550	50	248	11	33
7 Coalville	G. W. Huff	1	700	701	93	8	10	10
8 Pearlinton and Logtown	G. H. Galloway .....	...	281	281	50	5	8	3
9 Bay St. Louis	W. W. Cammack.....	...	200	200	7	5	15	2
10 Mount Olive	B. S. Raynor .....	...	324	324	33	77	21	11
11 Lumberton.....	G. H. Thompson .....	...	310	310	108	56	35	54
12 Poplarville	J. S. Parker .....	...	255	255	23	60	18	11
13 Estabuchie	C. C. Griffin	2	233	235	88	35	30	18
14 Columbia	W. M. Williams .....	...	487	487	42	65	25	9
15 Marion	J. E. J. Ferguson.....	...	205	205	88	87	8	33
16 Hattiesburg	W. H. Huntley	1	430	431	17	58	25	7
17 Hattiesburg, East.....	W. M. Sullivan.....	...	316	316	12	108	23	4
18 Brooklyn	G. R. Ellis .....	...	423	423	20	23	5	5
19 McHenry	W. L. Hightower	1	186	187	7	39	18	1
20 Vancleave.....	M. A. Thurman	9	772	781	22	10	16	10
21 Williamsburg	C. C. Gibson	1	517	518	34	15	32	22
22 Nicholson	T. J. Norsworthy .....	...	262	262	2	...	8	27
23 Mount Camel.....	H. D. Vandenberg	1	372	373	35	10	10	28
Total.....		23	7897	8390	792	969	364	317
Total last year		19	6849	6868	389	949	466	160
Increase		4	1048	1522	403	20	...	157
Decrease .....		...	...	...	...	...	102	...

Table No. 1—Membership, Baptisms, and Church Property.
FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN. P. E.

Infants Baptized.	Societies in Charge.	No. of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Indebtedness on Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Parsonages.	Value of District Parsonages.	Indebtedness on District Parsonages.	Value of Other Church Property.	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.	No. of Churches Damaged or Destroyed.	Amount of Damage.	Insurance Carried.	Premiums Paid.	
2	3	3	2575		1	1100		1200			17 50			1000		1
10	2	2	1900		1	1000					387 81			500		2
3	5	5	2050	25 00							46 90					3
1	7	4	1300		1	150					88 60					4
10	5	4	1800		1	600				150 00	27 50					5
26	4	4	2800		1	500					129 00					6
41	6	5	2000		1	500				25 00	25 00					7
2	4	4	1340		1	500	45 00				59 00					8
20	5	4	1700	105 00	1	300	50 00			90 00	455 75					9
15	5	4	2000		1	900				800 00	60 00					10
12	4	4	4500		1	550					122 70					11
13	3	2	5000		1	1500				50 00	497 05			3500	57 50	12
5	5	5	3300		1	500					12 00					13
1	5	3	2400	300 00	1	500					100 00			1000		14
3	4	2	550	50 00	1	200					252 00					15
12	4	5	2350		1	500					19 95					16
4	4	4	2800	293 00	1	800					630 00					17
10	4	4	2500		1	300					583 00					18
2	1	1	5000		1	1000					90 00			2750	50 00	19
1	5	1	100								50 00					20
18	1	1	3500		1	2500	350 00				137 00			3000	18 00	21
	2	2	1800	1084 18							452 80			500	5 00	22
7	7	7	3400		1	900	225 00				1800 00			600	5 00	23
9	2	2	300		1	500				830 00	250 00			200		24
227	92	82	56865	1862 18	21	16200	670 00	1200		1945 00	7263 56			12850	135 50	
169	89	78	57625	1740 00.	18	12750	495 00	1100		3425 00	5111 55			11250	133 95	
58	3	4	5240	122 18	3	3450	175 00	100			2163 01			1600	1 55	
										2480 00						

SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

4	1	2	5800		1	2000					7 15			5500	100 00	1
29	8	7	3000		2	1200	500 00				796 50			600		2
7	4	4	2600		1	700				500 00	20 00			500		3
5	1	1	2000		1	2500					150 00			2000	50 00	4
9	2	2	3300		1	2000					725 00					5
6	3	3	1100								570 71			3000	120 00	6
30	5	4	3000		1	450					1000 00					7
15	2	3	5000	60 15	1	900				350 00	2050 00			1200	24 00	8
8	1	3	4000	42 00	1	1500					146 00			1000	6 25	9
17	3	2	3300	170 00						1200 00	1450 00			2000	17 00	10
6	1	1	3000		1	1500					229 30			2300	42 00	11
13	2	2	4300								700 00			3500		12
15	5	4	2000		1	900					559 95			1000		13
13	3	3	3400		1	1000					268 80					14
26	8	4	1400	200 00						25 00	550 00					15
4	1	1	2500		1	3500		3500			202 91			5200	23 00	16
3	1	1	3500	740 00							379 00			2000		17
5	8	3	2300		1	650	250 00			100 00	150 00					18
19	3	1	2000		1	800	410 00			100 00	445 00			2200	21 00	19
23	9	7	2300		1	800				600 00	2500 00					20
13	5	5	2700		1	500	18 00				238 50					21
5	2	2	1000													22
8	4	4	2500		1	500	150 00									23
283	82	69	66300	272 15	18	21400	1328 00	3500		2875 00	13135 62			32000	403 25	
296	78	68	69050	2118 50	19	18100	450 00	3500		4030 00	12880 90			22300	263 75	
	4	1				3300	878 00				254 72			9700	139 50	
13			3050	1846 35	1					1155 00						

**Table No. 1—Membership, Baptisms, and Church Property.
BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—B. F. Jones, P. E.**

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR REPORTING			Local Preachers.	Members.	Total members.	Additions on Pro- fession of Faith.	Additions by Certifi- cate or Otherwise.	Removals by Death, Certif. or Otherwise.	Adults Baptized.
1	Brookhaven.....	C. W. Crisler.....	1	421	422	9	56	34	4
2	Magnolia and Osyka	B. F. Lewis.....	..	235	235	..	24	13	..
3	Tylertown.....	M. J. Miller.....	..	213	213	6	3	38	..
4	McComb.....	J. W. Chambers.....	4	588	622	76	76	40	30
5	Fernwood.....	E. F. Edgar.....	..	215	215	2	8	8	12
6	Summit.....	M. L. Burton.....	1	195	196	3	12	13	1
7	Topisaw.....	E. L. Alford.....	2	339	341	16	9	18	9
8	Pleasant Grove.....	M. G. Felder.....	..	270	270	27	19	28	9
9	Gallman.....	Jno. A. Moore.....	1	397	398	16	9	33	9
10	Hazlehurst.....	J. A. B. Jones.....	..	229	229	3	26	12	..
11	Crystal Springs.....	L. Carley.....	1	259	260	7	17	11	4
12	Terry.....	H. C. Brown.....	1	295	296	4	6	21	3
13	Caseyville.....	R. Bradley.....	2	380	382	15	9	15	6
14	Adams.....	W. J. Ferguson.....	3	377	380	56	8	10	46
15	Wesson.....	I. L. Peebles.....	..	558	558	94	49	80	50
16	Beauregard.....	F. M. Williams.....	3	324	327	2	11	11	2
17	Providence.....	C. McDonald.....	..	278	278	9	7	26	4
18	Bayou Pierre.....	T. H. King.....	..	274	274	5	1	6	1
19	Bogue Chitto.....	J. W. Sandell.....	..	186	186	5	15	8	3
Total.....			19	5901	5920	355	363	385	199
Total last year.....			22	6059	6081	349	365	674	143
Increase.....			..	..	..	6	..	..	56
Decrease.....			3	158	161	..	2	289	..

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—T. W. Adams, P. E.

1	Natchez, Jefferson Street.....	J. E. Carpenter.....	..	360	360	7	13	24	5
2	Natchez, Wesley Chapel.....	J. W. Brown.....	..	180	180	8	13	12	7
3	Washington.....	C. N. Guice.....	..	129	129	12	4	8	1
4	Fayette.....	W. H. Sanders.....	..	291	291	3	8	14	2
5	Barlow.....	F. A. Grimes.....	..	444	444	98	12	24	65
6	Roxie.....	C. C. Evans.....	1	359	360	16	4	15	6
7	Liberty.....	R. A. Sibley, Jr.....	1	198	199	2	3	12	2
8	Gloster.....	W. G. Forsyth.....	1	134	136	2	23	2	2
9	Centerville.....	C. A. Powell.....	..	216	216	2	8	17	..
10	Wilkinson.....	E. J. Coker.....	2	53	515	2	2	19	..
11	Woodville.....	W. L. C. Hunnicutt.....	..	114	114	4	3	5	3
12	Percy Creek.....	C. D. Cecil.....	1	189	199	7	..	..	2
13	Meadville.....	J. E. Gray.....	1	349	350	8	6	4	4
14	Harriston.....	A. D. Miller.....	..	367	367	26	16	22	20
15	Homochitto.....	I. B. Robertson.....	1	270	271	9	6	3	5
Total.....			8	4113	4121	255	121	181	125
Total last year.....			8	434	4322	135	271	360	64
Increase.....			..	..	..	70	..	..	61
Decrease.....			..	201	201	..	150	179	..

RECAPITULATION.

1	Vicksburg.....	1	3614	3615	95	115	211	35
2	Jackson.....	10	5132	5142	253	303	326	119
3	Forest.....	16	8817	8833	611	430	721	269
4	Meridian.....	14	6856	6870	333	465	519	178
5	Seashore.....	23	7897	7920	292	969	364	317
6	Brookhaven.....	19	5901	5920	355	363	385	199
7	Natchez.....	8	4113	4121	205	127	181	125
Total.....			91	42328	42419	2144	2766	1222
Total last year.....			96	40744	40840	2630	3329	1229
Increase.....			..	1584	1579
Decrease.....			5	..	486	563	658	7

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BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—B. F. Jones, P. E.

Infants Baptized.	Societies in Charge.	No. of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Indebtedness on Churches.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Indebtedness on Parsonages.	Value of District Parsonages.	Indebtedness on District Parsonages.	Value of Other Church Property.	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages.	No. of Churches Damaged or Destroyed	Amount of Damage.	Insurance Carried.	Premiums Paid.	
11	1	1	2300		1	2300		2200		80000 00	12 50			2200	36 00	1
6	2	2	6800								32 57					2
10	3	3	3000		1	500					17 45					3
12	2	2	4200	520 00	1	2250				50 00	793 00			2750	18 50	4
6	4	2	1200							500 00	20 00					5
2	3	3	4800		1	1650	200 00		200 00		200 00			2400	15 00	6
3	3	3	3000		1	800	175 00			400 00	625 00					7
22	6	6	2750	13 00	1	250					45 85					8
5	4	4	3600		1	800										9
6	1	1	5000								157 40			2000	31 00	10
2	1	1	3000		1	2500			750 00		11 35			3500	11 65	11
3	4	4	3100		1	1500				300 00	170 00			400		12
3	4	4	2500		1	1000					56 00					13
15	3	3	1900		1	1200	380 00			900 00	100 00					14
95	1	1	2000		1	1500										15
4	5	4	2500		1	400					30 00					16
4	4	4	2800		1	500				500 00	25 00					17
5	4	4	2450		1	800					362 65					18
18	4	2	1300													19
231	59	54	57900	533 00	15	15650	755 00	2200	950 00	82650 00	2258 77			12850	112 15	
239	58	54	56600	627 77	15	18725	730 00	2500		82690 00	3979 70			13381	176 50	
	1		1300				25 00		950 00							
8				94 77		3075		300		40 00	720 93			431	64 35	

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—T. W. Adams, P. E.

5	1	1	17000		1	2500					1150 00			7500	60 00	1
7	1	1	1800		1	1000	200 00			180 00	42 09			1700	17 50	2
2	4	4	8000		1	1200					453 44			500	6 25	3
12	3	3	8500		1	3000					148 25			1000		4
5	4	4	3100		1	1000					163 00	1	300			5
1	5	5	3500	22 00	1	1000					462 20					6
1	4	4	1550		1	600	231 00				47 40					7
	1	1	2400		1	1200		1500	700 00	2000 00	80 00			800	15 00	8
4	2	2	5000		1	2000					1285 00			2500	45 00	9
8	4	4	1000	50 00	1	250										10
13	1	1	5000		1	2000				10500 00				6900	214 50	11
	2	2	1000		2	2500				1000 00						12
3	5	4	3790		1	710										13
4	6	5	4600		1	550					42 95					14
2	4	4	1350		1	425				25 00						15
67	50	45	67740	72 00	16	19735	431 00	1500	700 00	13705 00	4304 24	1	300	38100	358 25	
95	50	44	61300	22 00	16	17335	506 00	1500	700 00	14290 00	3988 25	1	125	25500	378 05	
		1	6440	50 00		2400					315 99		175	12600		
28							75 00			585 00					19 80	

RECAPITULATION.

86	44	41	86250	7215 00	11	13700				30795 00	3867 65			26800	34 25	1
97	69	63	88005	160 00	16	19350	411 00	2300		915 00	4587 00			22150	179 25	2
227	92	82	56865	1862 18	21	16200	670 00	1200			1263 56			12850	135 50	3
126	93	74	67045		19	17525	832 00	2500	1800 00	28330 00	2104 00			19400	167 50	4
283	82	69	60000	272 15	18	21400	1328 00	3500		2875 00	13135 62			32000	403 25	5
231	59	54	57900	533 00	15	15650	755 00	2200	950 00	82650 00	2258 77			12850	112 15	6
67	50	45	67140	72 00	16	19735	251 00	1500	700 00	3705 00	1304 24	1	300	38100	358 25	7
1117	499	434	489805	8314 33	116	123560	4535 00	13200	3450 00	159270 00	31520 84	1	300	164150	1390 05	
1176	478	426	480390	12398 27	115	115460	2920 35	10600	737 20	161586 00	38991 36	2	625	119416	1390 25	
	21	8	9415		1	81000	1614 65	2600	2713 80		44744					
59				4083 94						2316 00	7470 52	1	325		20	

**Table 2—Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, and Women's Societies
JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.**

EPWORTH LEAGUES.									SUNDAY			
NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Senior Leagues.	No. of Senior League Members.	No. of Junior Leagues.	No. of Junior League Members.	Total League Members.	Raised by Leagues for Missions.	Raised by Leagues for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Leagues.	No. of Sunday School.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars Enrolled.	Collected for Sunday School Supplies.
1 Jackson, First Church	1	45							2	31	520	249 50
2 Jackson, Capitol St.	1	53			53		11 10	11 10	1	16	167	67 80
3 Fannin									2	13	75	9 10
4 Brandon									1	10	75	39 67
5 Thomasville	1	15			15				3	12	78	13 62
6 Florence									3	19	190	10 00
7 Westville									2	10	85	5 85
8 Madison	2	30			30				4	20	205	34 00
9 Flora									3	8	50	24 00
10 Canton	1	40			40		1 95	1 95	1	11	90	53 11
11 Sharon	1	28			28				2	10	80	10 00
12 Camden									4	20	125	14 50
13 Tranquil									2	9	75	20 50
14 Silver Creek									3	10	65	25 00
15 Lake City									5	15	135	15 00
16 Yazoo City	1	41	1	64	105	75 00	10 00	85 00	1	25	205	108 51
17 Anding and Lintonia									3	15	75	12 00
18 Benton									4	22	150	18 00
19 Vaughn									3	10	75	10 00
Total	8	252	1	64	271	75 00	22 05	98 05	49	286	2520	740 16
Total last year	10	261			261				54	309	2510	736 30
Increase			1	64	10						10	3 86
Decrease	2	9							5	23		

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

1 Vicksburg, Crawford St	1	150			150				1	22	225	170 00
2 South Vicksburg									1	4	30	15 85
3 Rolling Fork									2	10	60	26 00
4 Anguilla									3	17	88	22 76
5 Mayersville									3	12	60	23 80
6 Warren									3	12	60	24 00
7 Sattaria									3	18	100	21 00
8 South Warren									3	17	59	11 65
9 Edwards									3	20	140	34 43
10 Bolton									3	15	132	45 00
11 Utica									3	15	136	50 00
12 Rocky Springs									6	28	205	14 75
13 Hermanville									4	20	150	20 00
14 Port Gibson									1	11	124	60 00
Total	1	150			150				39	221	1549	539 24
Total last year	6	241			241				54	330	1451	566 39
Increase											98	
Decrease	5	91			91				15	109		27 15

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

1 Meridian, Central	1	65	1	70	135		88 50	88 50	7	31	700	55 00
2 Meridian, South Side	2	85	1	36	121		80 00	80 00	1	6	76	28 00
3 Meridian, East End									1	10	207	65 00
4 Meridian, West End	1	52	1	77	129	21 25	105 80	127 05	1	20	252	48 88
5 Chunkey										16	200	10 00
6 DeKalb									3	12	120	7 00
7 Binnsville									2	10	120	20 00
8 Porterville									3	12	135	17 00
9 Lauderdale									3	18	200	18 00
10 Vimville									4	18	125	13 00
11 North Kemper									4	25	160	
12 Enterprise and Stonewall	1	17	1	23	30	6 52	5 00	9 52	3	30	180	85 00
13 Pachuta									6	42	275	39 80
14 Shubuta									2	12	180	34 00
15 Mathersville									6	30	220	16 85
16 Middleton									2	10	101	4 14
17 Waynesboro & State Line									2	19	140	29 00
18 Wayne Mission									5	21	121	6 20
19 Winchester									4	15	70	9 75
20 Daleville									3	15	160	13 00
21 Leakesville									3	9	75	10 00
Total	5	219	4	206	415	27 77	277 30	305 07	65	381	3817	529 62
Total last year	6	219			219				68	272	3410	648 61
Increase			4	206	196					109	407	
Decrease	1								3			18 99

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JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.

SCHOOLS.				Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies		Woman's Home Mission Society					
Collected for Miss'ons.	Collected on Children's Day.	Collected for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Sunday Schools.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.	Total Collected by Women's Societies.	Total Amount Re- ported on this Table not Else- where Reported.
112 50	15 07	155 93	553 37	1	108	481 60	1	.....	216 50	698 10	.....
105 00	5 00	3 60	76 40	2	52	116 12	1	16	1040 10	1156 22	1156 22
2 50	9 00	60	21 20	1	10	15 00	.....	.....	.....	15 00	36 20
8 22	2 60	6 00	56 49	1	15	73 30	1	24	146 05	219 35	375 84
6 31	13 75	.....	32 69	1	8	.....	1	9	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	5 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39 69	3 04	.....	77 73	.....	.....	.....	1	11	8 50	8 50	86 23
9 62	3 00	2 50	39 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 12
18 50	.....	.....	71 60	1	8	8 65	1	25	101 70	110 35	.....
1 50	4 55	55 00	71 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 05
20 00	5 00	.....	19 59	1	11	26 00	.....	.....	.....	26 00	45 50
15 00	.....	.....	35 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	6 30	.....	31 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25 00	3 00	.....	43 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00
100 00	6 65	.....	215 16	1	30	150 00	1	20	75 25	225 25	347 41
.....	.....	6 00	18 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 00	3 00	19 00	44 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 10	.....	.....	14 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 10
477 94	79 89	248 63	1436 06	9	152	870 67	7	105	1588 10	2458 77	2159 67
44 10	69 53	151 85	1361 78	.....	.....	484 15	.....	.....	1383 80	1867 95	.....
73 84	10 36	96 78	74 28	.....	.....	386 52	.....	.....	204 30	590 82	.....

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

30 00	2 75	140 13	344 26	1	28	25 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....
27 65	.....	6 00	49 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 00	3 25	71 00	103 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
27 86	12 81	.....	63 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 00	7 25	.....	37 05	1	20	41 00	.....	.....	.....	41 00	41 00
7 00	6 50	.....	37 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2 75	25 26	.....	49 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10 05	13 45	.....	35 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	6 00	.....	43 43	1	.....	60 80	.....	.....	.....	60 80	.....
8 00	4 75	.....	57 75	1	12	16 00	.....	.....	.....	16 00	16 00
15 50	12 25	.....	76 75	.....	.....	.....	1	6	66 85	66 85	128 15
1 00	.....	4 00	19 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 05	11 05	.....	34 10	1	5	9 10	2	10	11 95	21 05	21 05
36 75	8 00	.....	104 00	1	16	42 00	1	32	25 00	298 00	.....
181 61	113 32	221 13	1055 28	6	81	193 90	4	48	128 80	503 70	206 20
119 91	151 81	56 00	894 11	.....	.....	177 55	.....	.....	442 40	619 95	.....
61 70	.....	165 13	161 17	.....	.....	16 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	38 49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	313 60	116 25	.....

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

108 48	9 50	25 00	199 98	1	30	28 00	1	35	30 00	58 00	257 98
20 00	4 00	8 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
44 25	.....	.....	109 25	1	10	.....	1	12	30 00	30 00	.....
34 40	3 48	5 00	91 76	1	20	21 19	1	24	25 90	47 09	.....
.....	2 15	.....	12 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	5 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 50	.....	.....	23 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	9 30	50 00	76 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13 50	7 00	5 00	56 50	.....	.....	.....	1	15	18 50	18 50	.....
.....	8 00	.....	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18 88	6 81	17 00	127 69	1	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10 00	8 94	.....	57 74	.....	.....	.....	1	10	9 15	9 15	57 89
20 00	14 65	7 50	76 15	2	33	74 95	2	25	87 05	162 00	238 15
.....	5 27	.....	22 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	4 13	.....	8 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34 15	18 60	.....	81 75	1	14	24 91	1	.....	80 00	104 91	24 90
.....	3 86	.....	10 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12 00	1 00	.....	22 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	3 25	.....	16 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	4 62	.....	14 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
319 16	119 56	117 50	1099 84	7	118	149 05	8	121	280 60	429 63	578 92
285 07	101 19	334 67	1369 54	.....	.....	328 81	.....	.....	122 00	450 81	.....
34 09	18 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	158 60	.....	.....
.....	.....	217 17	269 70	.....	.....	179 76	.....	.....	.....	21 18	.....

Table 2—Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, and Women's Societies
FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLÉN, P. E.

EPWORTH LEAGUES.									SUNDAY			
NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Senior Leagues.	No. of Senior League Members.	No. of Junior Leagues.	No. of Junior League Members.	Total League Members.	Raised by Leagues for Missions.	Raised by Leagues for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Leagues.	No. of Sunday School's.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars Enrolled.	Collected for Sunday School Supplies.
1 Forest ..									4	17	128	25 94
2 Morton and Pelahatchie..	1	24			24		15 00	15 00	2	13	138	32 60
3 Scott ..									5	25	150	7 50
4 Harpersville ..									3	9	96	2 00
5 Walnut Grove ..									1	7	110	12 20
6 Shiloh ..	1	42			42				3	16	162	15 25
7 Trenton ..									6	25	210	26 00
8 Raleigh ..									2	8	80	8 00
9 Taylorsville ..									3	12	110	7 50
10 Montrose ..	1	39			39		30 00	30 00	3	21	225	33 90
11 Lake ..									4	15	183	26 56
12 Newton and Hickory ..									2	25	206	89 96
13 Decatur ..									1	5	55	5 00
14 Carthage ..	1	15			15				4	20	240	20 00
15 Edinburg ..									2	7	90	10 00
16 Rosehill ..									3	23	140	40 60
17 Vossburg and Heidelberg									3	12	182	24 00
18 Eucutta ..									4	20	180	22 00
19 Ellisville ..									1	8	70	26 50
20 Ellisville Circuit ..									2	10	45	10 00
21 Laurel ..									1	7	231	35 00
22 Laurel, 5th Ave.									1	4	59	5 00
23 Neshoba ..									5	25	300	30 00
24 Indian Mission ..									2	6	54	...
Total.....	4	120			120		45 00	45 00	67	340	3242	514 41
Total last year.....	8	222			222				65	323	2978	492 80
Increase ..									2	17	264	
Decrease ..	4	102			102							21 60

SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

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Table 2—Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, and Women's Societies
FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN. P. E.

SCHOOLS.				Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies			Woman's Home Mission Society			Total Collected by Women's Societies.	Total Amount Re- ported on this Table not Else- where Reported.	
Collected for Missions.	Collected on Children's Day.	Collected for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Sunday Schools.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.			
5 38	4 21	3 25	38 78	1	7	8 10	1	11	56 95	65 03		1
32 00	17 80		87 80				1	15	21 05	21 05	21 05	2
			7 50									3
			2 00									4
6 00			18 20									5
18 05	17 90		46 20									6
22 00			48 00									7
	4 00		12 00									8
1 50			9 00								7 50	9
20 00	4 00		53 90	1	8	16 00	1	10	18 75	35 35	126 65	10
21 45	14 45		62 46									11
30 00	12 00	15 95	148 87	1	16	24 65					24 65	12
1 25	2 70		8 39									13
5 00	3 65	5 00	33 65									14
1 00			11 00									15
10 13	5 84	6 22	62 79	1	10	19 50	1	7	25 18	44 68		16
21 40	10 00		55 40	2	27	46 55				46 55	80 55	17
25 00	9 00		56 00									18
12 80	5 80		45 10								45 10	19
	2 25		12 25									20
12 06	6 00	38 00	91 06									21
5 00		5 00	15 00									22
10 00	17 60		57 50	1	7	13 00				13 00	13 00	23
	2 40		2 40									24
259 02	134 60	73 42	895 16	7	75	127 80	4	43	121 93	225 68	318 50	
196 50	78 33	91 74	858 32			107 35			181 25	288 60		
	56 27		36 84			20 45						
62 52		18 32							59 32	62 92		

SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

10 00	12 00	88 00	165 44	1	28	47 84				47 84	47 84	1
	17 25	6 00	75 00				1	30	72 00	72 00		2
1 64			51 64									3
23 00	5 70	150 00	215 70	1	17	27 00				27 00		4
24 60	6 00	31 40	156 00	1	20	74 00				74 00		5
17 06			67 06	1	18	5 55	1	8	8 00	13 55	71 10	6
		10 00	60 00									7
31 55			121 55									8
28 00	6 40	4 30	88 70	1	14	11 00	1	16	23 60	34 60	95 30	9
64 00	8 35		138 48									10
8 50			98 50									11
29 83		20 00	139 83	1	40	6 80				6 80		12
		1 50	28 00									13
20 49	13 30		106 06								106 06	14
	8 60	11 90	20 50									15
107 06	10 48	4 57	274 78	1	32	97 15				97 15		16
30 00	2 00	36 00	83 00									17
17 59	8 21		82 70								82 70	18
10 10	5 00		60 50									19
	14 65		38 15									20
	14 50											21
			15 00									22
	4 80		8 80									23
421 42	137 24	363 67	2095 39	7	169	269 34	3	54	103 60	372 94	403 00	
434 01	108 61	210 04	1907 86			206 80			231 85	438 65		
17 41	29 63	153 63	187 53			62 54						
									128 25	65 71		

**Table 2—Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, and Women's Societies
BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—B. F. Jones, P. E.**

EPWORTH LEAGUES.									SUNDAY			
NAME OF CHARGE.	No. of Senior Leagues.	No. of Senior League Members.	No. of Junior Leagues.	No. of Junior League Members.	Total League Members.	Raised by Leagues for Missions.	Raised by Leagues for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Leagues.	No. of Sunday School.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars Enrolled.	Collected for Sunday School Supplies.
1 Brookhaven	2	80	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	2	34	310	108 88
2 Magnolia and Osyka .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	90	35 52
3 Tylertown	1	15	.....	.....	15	.....	6 00	6 00	2	8	40	15 00
4 McComb .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	27	545	127 75
5 Fernwood .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	15	230	.....
6 Summit	1	20	.....	.....	20	.....	50 00	50 00	3	17	189	65 00
7 Topisaw .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	120	25 00
8 Pleasant Grove .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	13	104	7 88
9 Gallman .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	26	175	20 95
10 Hazlehurst .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	75	28 61
11 Crystal Springs	1	28	.....	.....	28	.....	3 50	3 50	1	12	198	79 60
12 Terry .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	17	113	20 00
13 Caseyville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	18	152	20 00
14 Adams	1	30	.....	.....	30	6 00	17 15	23 50	2	15	190	19 6
15 Wesson	1	30	.....	.....	30	.....	20 00	20 00	1	20	250	108 84
16 Beauregard	1	20	.....	.....	20	.....	4 00	4 00	4	25	20	25 00
17 Providence .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	100	20 00
18 Bayou Pierre	1	28	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	3	15	132	10 00
19 Bogue Chitto .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	11	206	39 77
Total	9	251	.....	.....	251	6 00	100 65	107 00	52	324	3419	777 40
Total last year	13	387	.....	.....	387	.....	.....	.....	50	329	3070	852 52
Increase .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	349	.....
Decrease	4	136	.....	.....	136	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	75 12

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—T. W. Adams, P. E.

1 Natchez, Jefferson Street	1	40	.....	.....	40	.....	50 00	50 00	1	21	165	50 00
2 Natchez, Wesley Chapel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	120	32 00
3 Washington .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	20	6 00
4 Fayette	1	30	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	3	15	150	50 00
5 Barlow	1	41	.....	.....	41	.....	31 25	31 25	3	18	180	20 05
6 Roxie .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	16	120	10 00
7 Liberty .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	7	25	1 65
8 Gloster .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	77	32 94
9 Centerville	1	33	1	63	96	27 40	135 00	162 40	1	9	100	56 00
10 Wilkinson .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	12	125	16 00
11 Woodville .....	.....	.....	1	30	30	.....	4 00	4 00	1	13	101	25 55
12 Percy Creek .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	28	20 00
13 Meadville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	24	125	20 00
14 Harrison	2	51	.....	.....	51	.....	85 80	85 80	5	29	165	17 81
15 Homochitto .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	120	12 00
Total	6	195	2	93	288	27 40	306 05	333 45	36	217	1621	369 80
Total last year	9	244	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	229	1753	448 65
Increase .....	.....	.....	2	93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease	3	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	12	132	78 25

RECAPITULATION.

1 Vicksburg	1	150	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....	39	221	1549	539 24
2 Jackson	8	252	1	64	316	75 00	22 05	98 05	49	286	2520	740 16
3 Forest	4	120	.....	.....	120	.....	45 00	45 00	67	340	3242	514 41
4 Meridian	5	219	4	206	415	27 77	277 30	305 07	65	381	3817	529 62
5 Seashore	14	450	5	147	597	26 60	289 70	316 30	77	492	4609	1202 76
6 Brookhaven	9	251	.....	.....	251	6 00	100 65	107 00	52	324	3419	777 40
7 Natchez	6	195	2	93	288	27 40	306 05	333 45	36	217	1621	369 80
Total	47	1637	12	510	2147	162 77	1040 75	1204 87	385	2261	20777	4673 39
Total last year	63	1945	392	2294	19051	4928 87
Increase	12	510	1726
Decrease	16	308	7	33	255 48

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BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—B. F. Jones, P. E.

SCHOOLS.				Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies			Woman's Home Mission Society			Total Collected by Women's Societies.	Total Amount Re- ported on this Table not Else- where Reported.	
Collected for Missions.	Collected on Children's Day.	Collected for Other Objects.	Total Raised by Sunday Schools.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.	No. of Societies.	No. of Members.	Total Money Raised.			
48 41	5 00		162 28	2	35	47 46	1	25	22 00	69 46		1
16 25	6 70	25 60	84 02				1	16	343 70	343 30	411 52	2
	8 53		23 50									3
148 50	6 60	25 00	337 35	1	20	20 59				20 50	178 35	4
11 00		36 00	45 00								45 00	5
25 00	9 50		99 50				2	21	52 00	52 00		6
7 00	8 40		40 40									7
	1 60	30 00	39 48									8
2 01	10 32	1 00	34 28									9
3 03	5 00		36 61									10
21 30	5 00	12 95	118 85	1	21	44 80				44 80	167 15	11
10 00	2 00		32 00								22 00	12
3 48			23 48								20 00	13
	4 90		24 50									14
49 26	4 57	2 50	165 00	1	27	100 30	1	30	225 73	326 03	474 61	15
3 64	8 00		36 00									16
6 15	5 75		26 15									17
	7 00		17 00									18
	5 85		45 62				1	27	55 80	55 80	55 80	19
354 95	104 69	133 05	1361 02	5	103	213 06	6	114	699 23	912 29	1374 43	
267 97	104 12	91 15	1315 76			292 93			366 75	569 68		
86 98	57	31 90	45 26			10 13			332 48	342 61		

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—T. W. Adams, P. E.

113 47	10 00	246 00	419 47	1	22	121 00	1	54	246 00	367 00	723 00	1
10 53	5 00	55 65	103 15				1	24	15 00	15 00		2
	9 45		9 45									3
11 00	6 00		67 00									4
	6 05		26 10									5
6 90	10 00		26 90									6
		1 00	2 65									7
7 41		40 41										8
15 15		64 00	135 15	1	5		1	15	150 00	150 00	120 00	9
			16 00									10
26 40	11 30	16 80	79 85	1	15	30 00	1	30			113 85	11
	4 00		24 00									12
6 00	6 00	12 00	44 00									13
6 90	27 58		52 29									14
	2 00		14 00									15
233 73	96 38	435 86	1030 01	3	42	151 00	4	123	411 00	532 00	956 85	
234 90	98 60	14 00	795 55			141 63			235 50			
		421 86	234 46			9 97			175 50			
31 17	2 22											

RECAPITULATION.

181 61	113 32	221 13	1055 28	6	81	193 90	4	48	128 80	503 70	206 20	1
477 94	79 89	248 63	1436 06	9	152	870 67	7	105	1588 10	2458 70	2159 67	2
259 02	134 60	73 42	895 16	7	75	127 80	4	43	121 93	225 68	318 50	3
319 16	119 56	117 50	1099 84	7	118	149 05	8	121	280 60	429 63	578 92	4
421 42	157 24	363 67	2095 39	7	169	269 34	3	54	103 60	372 94	403 00	5
354 95	104 69	133 05	1361 02	5	103	213 06	6	114	699 23	912 29	1374 43	6
203 73	96 38	435 86	1030 01	3	42	151 00	4	123	411 00	532 00	956 85	7
2217 83	785 68	1593 26	8972 76	44	740	1974 82	36	608	3333 26	5434 94	5997 57	
1912 46	412 19	949 45	8503 97			1648 62			2963 55	4612 17		
305 37	373 49	643 81	468 79			326 20			369 71	822 77		

Table No. 3—FINANCE.
JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Assessed for Presiding Elder.	Paid Presiding Elder.	Assessed for Preacher in Charge.	Paid Preacher in Charge.	Assessed for Bishops.	Paid Bishops.	Assessed for Conference Claimants.	Paid Conference Claimants.	Assessed for Foreign Missions.
1 Jackson, First Church	240 00	240 00	1500 00	1500 00	30 00	30 00	130 00	130 00	230 00
2 Jackson, Capitol St	100 00	100 00	800 00	800 00	12 00	12 00	65 00	65 00	105 00
3 Fannin	40 00	35 30	300 00	264 70	8 00	8 00	30 00	20 00	50 00
4 Brandon	80 00	80 00	600 00	600 00	12 00	12 00	60 00	61 75	60 00
5 Thomasville	40 00	40 00	320 00	320 00	8 00	8 00	25 00	25 00	30 00
6 Florence	80 00	74 00	675 00	615 00	10 00	11 30	55 00	40 00	60 00
7 Westville	50 00	44 55	420 00	401 00	8 00	8 00	45 00	15 00	50 00
8 Madison	80 00	83 00	770 00	733 11	10 00	10 00	60 00	61 00	60 00
9 Flora	70 00	70 00	600 00	602 70	11 00	11 00	55 00	45 00	80 00
10 Canton	100 00	70 00	900 00	700 00	11 00	11 00	65 00	65 00	100 00
11 Sharon	60 00	60 00	400 00	400 00	10 00	11 00	40 00	20 00	45 00
12 Camden	70 00	65 50	600 00	561 50	10 00	11 00	60 00	60 00	75 00
13 Tranquil	70 00	48 00	530 00	364 00	10 00	11 00	50 00	20 00	70 00
14 Silver Creek	80 00	80 00	545 00	470 00	10 00	10 00	50 00	30 00	65 00
15 Lake City	75 00	66 00	630 00	532 50	16 00	11 00	55 00	36 00	65 00
16 Yazoo City	210 00	210 00	1200 00	1300 00	25 00	27 50	110 00	110 00	160 00
17 Anding and Lintonia	40 00	40 00	260 00	260 00	5 40	5 40	15 00	15 00	20 00
18 Benton	70 00	65 00	600 00	507 70	12 00	7 00	70 00	40 00	80 00
19 Vaughn	60 00	60 00	640 00	600 00	12 00	12 00	60 00	45 00	65 00
Total	1615 00	1528 35	12260 00	11532 21	224 40	227 20	1100 00	903 75	1470 00
Total last year	1615 00	1558 85	12030 00	11290 00	235 00	235 10	1100 00	860 45	1470 00
Increase			230 00	242 21				43 30	
Decrease		30 50			10 60	7 90			

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

1 Vicksburg, Crawford St	214 00	214 00	1500 00	1500 00	22 00	22 00	108 00	108 00	156 00
2 South Vicksburg	30 00	20 75	300 00	223 05	6 00	6 00	27 00	27 00	39 00
3 Rolling Fork	105 00	85 20	800 00	642 50	14 00	20 00	70 00	36 00	100 00
4 Anguilla	65 00	52 75	435 00	367 05	11 00	9 40	52 00	44 00	74 00
5 Mayersville	90 00	97 50	600 00	652 50	11 00	11 90	56 00	56 00	80 00
6 Warren	75 00	57 80	450 00	340 50	11 00	7 25	52 00	40 00	74 00
7 Sartatia	100 00	90 40	600 00	542 40	14 00	18 00	70 00	27 42	100 00
8 South Warren	70 00	52 95	600 00	453 85	11 00	8 10	52 00	36 25	74 00
9 Edwards	100 00	73 20	800 00	595 90	14 00	14 50	70 00	50 50	100 00
10 Bolton	100 00	96 00	750 00	720 00	14 00	14 15	70 00	70 00	100 00
11 Utica	105 00	105 00	700 00	700 00	16 00	14 38	76 00	38 00	110 00
12 Rocky Springs	75 00	65 65	540 00	462 60	12 00	8 45	58 00	24 15	84 00
13 Hermanville	90 00	83 30	610 00	569 00	13 00	13 00	66 00	33 00	96 00
14 Port Gibson	107 00	107 00	800 00	800 00	16 00	18 00	75 00	75 00	105 00
Total	1326 00	1201 30	9485 00	8569 35	185 00	185 13	902 00	665 32	1292 00
Total last year	1326 00	1216 15	9472 00	8868 90	175 00	175 80	950 00	751 65	1297 00
Increase			13 00		10 00	9 33			
Decrease		14 85		299 55			48 00	86 33	5 00

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

1 Meridian, Central	240 00	216 00	2000 00	1800 00	32 00	32 00	165 00	165 00	215 00
2 Meridian, South Side	50 00	50 00	400 00	400 00	7 00	7 00	30 00	30 00	45 00
3 Meridian, East End	100 00	100 00	800 00	800 00	14 00	14 00	70 00	70 00	90 00
4 Meridian, West End	100 00	100 00	800 00	800 00	13 00	13 00	70 00	70 00	84 00
5 Chunky	50 00	43 00	350 00	339 05	8 00	8 00	30 00	13 00	40 00
6 DeKalb	75 00	63 00	525 00	450 00	11 00	11 00	56 00	28 00	65 00
7 Binnsville	65 00	42 50	465 00	290 00	8 00	8 00	44 00	17 00	50 00
8 Porterville	50 00	44 60	325 00	289 80	6 00	6 00	33 00	19 80	40 00
9 Lauderdale	95 00	92 00	565 00	556 00	12 00	12 00	60 00	60 00	90 00
10 Vimville	45 00	35 00	400 00	316 00	6 00	6 20	30 00	30 00	35 00
11 North Kemper	50 00	35 05	335 00	234 95	6 00	6 00	30 00	21 00	35 00
12 Enterprise and Stonewall	95 00	69 00	700 00	506 00	12 00	12 00	70 00	50 00	85 00
13 Pachuta	95 00	82 00	625 00	542 55	12 00	12 00	65 00	65 00	85 00
14 Shubuta	120 00	120 00	800 00	800 00	17 00	17 00	85 00	85 00	110 00
15 Mathersville	50 00	34 90	350 00	256 40	7 00	7 00	34 00	13 70	40 00
16 Middleton	40 00	40 00	170 00	106 40	4 00	4 00	22 00	14 00	26 00
17 Waynesboro & State Line	100 00	106 00	800 00	848 00	15 00	15 00	80 00	81 00	100 00
18 Wayne Mission	20 00	20 00	160 00	160 00	3 00	3 45	10 00	10 00	10 00
19 Winchester	50 00	50 00	240 00	250 00	7 00	7 00	34 00	28 00	40 00
20 Daleville	70 00	70 00	550 00	550 00	10 00	10 00	52 00	52 00	65 00
21 Leakesville	40 00	35 36	250 00	185 68	5 00	5 00	25 00	25 00	25 00
Total	1600 00	1445 41	1710 00	10450 83	215 00	215 65	1095 00	947 50	1375 00
Total last year	1530 00	1249 10	11420 00	9281 77	223 00	220 60	1080 00	913 80	1379 00
Increase	70 00	196 31	290 00	1169 06			15 00	33 70	
Decrease					8 00	4 95			4 00

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JACKSON DISTRICT—T. B. Holloman, P. E.

Paid Foreign Missions.	Assessed for Domestic Missions.	Paid Domestic Missions.	Assessed for Church Extension.	Paid for Church Extension.	Assessed for Education.	Paid for Education.	Assessed for American Bible Society.	Paid for American Bible Society.	Ass'd for Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.	Paid Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.	Superannuates' Endowment Fund.	Paid for Other Objects by Church.	Total Amount Raised for All Purposes.	
230 00	130 00	130 00	80 00	80 00	50 00	50 00	20 00	20 00	....	....	....	2078 00	6705 68	1
105 00	55 00	55 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	11 00	11 00	....	....	....	70 85	1265 85	2
25 00	30 00	24 00	22 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	....	....	....	25 55	486 75	3
68 22	40 00	40 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	6 00	6 00	....	....	....	105 12	1545 93	4
31 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	6 00	4 00	....	....	....	243 13	706 13	5
20 00	35 00	15 00	25 00	15 00	20 00	9 10	....	....	....	....	....	....	799 10	6
21 00	26 00	10 00	20 00	8 00	15 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	....	....	....	61 85	579 40	7
60 00	35 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	7 00	7 00	....	....	....	938 54	1969 65	8
65 00	36 00	22 00	30 00	15 00	20 00	12 00	6 00	6 00	....	....	....	495 50	1343 90	9
100 00	60 00	20 00	35 00	10 00	20 00	5 00	8 00	....	....	....	....	393 26	1374 26	10
30 00	30 00	20 00	19 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	6 00	3 00	....	....	....	36 00	720 05	11
75 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	8 00	8 00	....	....	....	65 00	976 50	12
28 00	40 00	16 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	8 00	1 40	....	....	....	131 80	634 20	13
40 00	34 00	21 00	25 00	15 00	20 00	10 00	7 00	7 00	....	....	....	20 45	797 90	14
65 00	34 00	10 00	30 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	....	....	....	107 00	841 50	15
335 00	110 00	110 00	45 00	45 00	40 00	40 00	16 00	16 00	....	....	....	858 09	4017 75	16
21 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	....	....	....	325 00	697 00	17
40 00	40 00	20 00	25 00	7 50	25 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	....	....	....	284 00	986 20	18
45 00	40 00	20 00	26 00	15 00	20 00	7 50	6 00	6 00	....	....	....	535 00	1345 50	19
1401 22	850 00	642 00	542 00	370 50	375 00	253 60	144 00	124 40	....	....	....	6834 14	27793 25	
1414 15	651 00	516 80	540 00	361 10	398 00	263 55	155 00	100 50	....	....	....	7756 58	26240 03	
.....	199 00	125 20	2 00	9 40	.....	.....	.....	13 90	....	....	....	.....	1553 22	
12 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 00	9 95	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1122 44	.....

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. Weems, P. E.

156 00	96 00	96 00	59 00	59 00	35 00	35 00	16 00	16 00	....	....	....	2268 15	4844 00	1
39 00	24 00	24 00	15 00	15 00	9 00	9 00	3 00	3 00	....	....	....	234 16	600 96	2
26 00	62 00	21 00	37 00	7 00	22 00	7 00	10 00	3 00	....	....	....	60 75	959 95	3
68 30	46 00	39 00	28 00	23 00	17 00	14 00	8 00	7 00	....	....	....	120 17	744 87	4
81 00	50 00	50 00	31 00	31 00	18 00	18 00	8 00	8 00	....	....	....	480 00	1484 90	5
58 00	46 00	35 00	28 00	17 00	17 00	12 00	8 00	....	....	....	....	52 13	636 55	6
37 00	62 00	21 00	37 90	12 50	22 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	....	....	....	87 00	829 72	7
50 00	46 00	30 00	28 00	19 00	17 00	11 00	8 00	5 00	....	....	....	141 15	807 30	8
75 00	62 00	40 00	37 00	24 00	22 00	22 00	10 00	5 30	....	....	....	.....	900 45	9
100 00	62 00	62 00	37 00	37 00	22 00	11 00	11 00	11 00	....	....	....	165 00	2370 90	10
55 00	66 00	33 00	42 00	21 00	25 00	8 00	12 00	4 00	....	....	....	87 55	2818 00	11
34 95	52 00	21 60	32 00	13 45	17 00	7 00	9 00	3 75	....	....	....	.....	728 35	12
48 00	60 00	30 00	37 00	18 50	22 00	11 00	10 00	5 00	....	....	....	4 35	815 15	13
105 00	45 00	45 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	13 00	13 00	....	....	....	200 00	1625 00	14
932 25	779 00	547 60	488 00	337 45	290 00	211 00	136 00	89 05	....	....	....	3900 41	20166 10	
973 06	610 00	420 55	490 00	300 10	291 00	167 30	135 00	87 46	....	....	....	3591 46	17224 88	
.....	179 00	127 05	.....	37 35	.....	43 70	1 00	1 59	....	....	....	308 95	2941 22	
40 81	.....	.....	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—W. W. Simmons, P. E.

215 00	120 00	75 00	75 00	37 50	55 00	27 50	20 00	10 00	....	....	....	433 50	3389 66	1
55 00	25 00	25 00	18 00	18 00	12 00	12 00	5 00	5 00	....	....	....	316 00	918 00	2
90 00	55 00	55 00	38 00	38 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	....	....	500 00	217 00	1919 00	3
84 00	50 00	50 00	35 00	35 00	22 00	22 00	9 00	9 00	....	....	....	671 10	1804 10	4
18 00	24 00	4 75	14 00	2 00	6 00	.....	5 00	1 75	....	....	....	97 10	542 65	5
40 00	45 00	28 00	24 00	12 00	16 00	8 00	8 00	4 00	....	....	....	85 00	726 00	6
30 00	34 00	15 00	20 00	5 00	14 00	2 00	6 00	1 00	....	....	....	.....	410 50	7
40 00	25 00	25 00	16 00	.....	8 00	4 00	5 00	....	....	....	....	146 70	575 90	8
85 00	48 00	40 00	30 00	21 00	18 00	10 00	10 00	7 00	....	....	....	84 75	1117 60	9
35 00	23 00	23 00	14 00	14 00	8 00	8 00	4 00	4 00	....	....	....	815 00	1276 00	10
35 00	25 00	19 00	13 00	7 00	8 00	.....	4 00	2 00	....	....	....	48 00	408 00	11
75 00	55 00	30 00	33 00	15 00	22 00	8 00	7 00	2 00	....	....	....	286 29	1053 29	12
85 00	45 00	45 00	35 00	35 00	18 00	18 00	8 00	8 00	....	....	....	53 00	1023 22	13
110 00	60 00	60 00	40 00	40 00	26 00	26 00	12 00	12 00	....	....	....	100 00	1370 00	14
40 00	25 00	10 20	16 00	.....	8 00	1 00	.....	.....	....	....	....	146 90	500 10	15
26 00	18 00	18 00	10 00	6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	....	....	....	10 00	230 40	16
101 00	55 00	56 00	38 00	39 00	25 00	26 00	11 00	12 00	....	....	....	85 50	1688 61	17
10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	....	....	....	36 36	274 87	18
40 00	25 00	20 00	15 00	5 00	8 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	....	....	....	56 10	511 85	19
65 00	38 00	38 00	26 00	26 00	15 00	15 00	7 00	7 00	....	....	....	100 00	1115 30	20
25 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	....	....	....	34 32	349 36	21
1304 00	825 00	666 95	525 00	370 50	330 00	225 50	145 00	102 75	....	....	500 00	3822 62	21204 41	
1184 42	616 00	501 76	510 00	382 10	398 00	300 97	155 00	118 89	....	....	.....	4580 48	19237 18	
119 58	209 00	165 19	15 00	500 00	1967 23	
.....	10 60	68 00	75 47	10 00	16 14	657 86	

FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN, P. E.

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SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

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FOREST DISTRICT—T. L. MELLEN. P. E.

Paid Foreign Missions.	Assessed for Domestic Missions.	Paid Domestic Missions.	Assessed for Church Extension.	Paid for Church Extension.	Assessed for Education.	Paid for Education.	Assessed for American Bible Society.	Paid for American Bible Society.	Ass'd for Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.	Paid Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.	Superannuates' Endowment Fund.	Paid for Other Objects by Church.	Total Amount Raised for All Purposes.
70 00	36 00	32 00	21 00	9 00	18 00	6 00	7 00	4 00				223 80	1021 80
80 00	36 00	44 00	21 00	23 00	18 00	20 00	7 00	8 00				601 00	1630 00
25 00	10 00	12 00	5 00	6 50	4 00	5 00	2 00	2 00				111 25	442 75
28 00	23 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	11 00	5 00	5 00	5 00				150 30	539 75
40 00	32 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	13 00	3 00	6 00	2 00				74 20	582 30
75 00	42 00	42 00	26 00	26 00	18 00	18 00	8 00	8 00				387 15	1238 15
60 00	32 00	32 00	18 00	18 00	13 00	13 00	6 00	6 00				220 00	868 00
40 00	22 00	23 00	13 00	11 50	11 00	9 35	5 00	5 00				175 00	641 05
40 00	22 00	22 00	13 00	3 00	11 00	3 00	5 00	2 00				529 00	972 40
65 00	34 00	34 00	21 00	21 00	17 00	17 00	7 00	7 00				125 00	755 50
70 00	36 00	37 00	23 00	23 00	20 00	20 00	8 00	8 00				420 36	1257 66
100 00	55 00	57 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	11 00	11 00				934 17	2049 17
43 00	25 00	20 00	16 00	6 00	13 00	6 00	4 00	2 00				95 15	553 65
45 00	26 00	26 00	14 00	14 00	11 00	11 00	6 00	6 00				46 00	794 65
8 00	10 00	11 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	2 00				14 00	479 65
65 00	34 00	34 00	21 00	21 00	16 00	16 00	7 00	7 00				101 30	997 55
95 00	52 00	69 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	11 00	11 00				275 00	1834 40
58 00	20 00	22 00	11 00	11 00	10 00	10 00	4 00	4 00				100 00	1284 00
45 00	25 00	25 00	13 00	13 00	12 00	12 00	5 00	5 00				985 00	1963 00
10 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00				88 61	275 17
60 00	30 00	31 00	20 00	20 00	13 00	13 00	6 00	6 00				83 88	1325 88
10 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	1 00				25 00	624 15
65 00	33 00	33 00	23 00	15 00	16 00	11 00	8 00	8 00				1082 60	1833 60
3 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00				.....	316 36
1200 00	650 00	650 00	384 00	338 00	298 00	247 35	134 00	122 00				6347 77	24280 59
1200 00	500 00	512 00	370 00	327 25	259 00	217 10	135 00	113 50				6964 65	20901 08
.....	150 00	138 00	14 00	10 75	39 00	30 25	.....	8 50				.....	3379 51
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....				115 88	.....

SEASHORE DISTRICT—J. M. Morse, P. E.

120 00	80 00	80 00	45 00	45 00	35 00	35 00	5 00	5 00				294 33	2399 76
55 00	30 00	39 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				947 72	1640 72
45 00	25 00	25 00	16 00	16 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				243 30	943 22
56 00	37 00	37 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				1442 00	2370 00
70 00	35 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00				1555 00	2842 00
50 00	35 00	35 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				25 00	1647 10
40 00	30 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				1300 00	1993 00
90 00	50 00	60 00	30 00	30 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	10 00				2436 55	3733 55
25 00	18 00	18 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00				50 00	729 00
70 00	45 00	50 00	30 00	40 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				90 00	2425 00
91 00	55 00	56 00	35 00	35 00	30 00	30 00	10 00	10 00				1141 31	2708 66
50 00	35 00	35 00	30 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00				285 00	2215 74
35 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00				264 40	1438 35
80 00	40 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00				686 87	1836 87
15 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00				618 40	1018 40
160 00	95 00	95 00	50 00	50 00	35 00	35 00	15 00	15 00				396 00	2668 30
75 00	30 00	40 00	25 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	10 00				815 55	1978 55
47 18	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00				540 73	1142 95
45 25	30 00	35 25	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00				604 00	1423 40
48 00	30 00	35 00	15 00	18 00	15 00	17 00	5 00	6 00				62 20	1020 50
35 00	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00				47 15	885 15
25 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00				75 00	810 00
35 00	25 00	30 00	14 00	14 00	5 00	9 00	1 00	1 00				85 00	707 00
1362 43	825 00	875 25	500 00	513 00	370 00	376 00	151 00	152 00				14005 51	40577 22
1280 00	625 00	626 00	422 00	422 00	297 00	297 00	135 00	125 00				14849 39	32014 06
82 43	200 00	249 25	78 00	91 00	73 00	79 00	16 00	27 00				.....	7663 16
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....				843 88	.....

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—B. F. Jones, P. E.

NAME OF CHARGE.		Assessed for Presiding Elder.	Paid Presiding Elder.	Assessed for Preacher in Charge.	Paid Preacher in Charge.	Assessed for Bishops.	Paid Bishops.	Assessed for Confer- ence Claimants.	Paid Conference Claimants.	Assessed for Foreign Missions.
1	Brookhaven	112 00	112 00	900 00	931 28	16 00	17 00	84 00	84 00	106 00
2	Magnolia and Osyka	112 00	84 00	900 00	716 00	16 00	16 00	84 00	84 00	106 00
3	Tylertown	70 00	59 00	600 00	505 75	10 00	10 00	53 00	20 00	67 00
4	McComb	130 00	130 00	1000 00	1000 00	19 00	19 00	99 00	99 00	123 00
5	Fernwood	70 00	65 00	600 00	550 00	10 00	10 00	53 00	30 00	67 00
6	Summit	100 00	120 00	810 00	975 00	15 00	15 00	76 00	76 00	96 00
7	Topisaw	70 00	60 00	500 00	425 00	10 00	10 00	53 00	30 00	66 00
8	Pleasant Grove	35 00	35 00	335 00	290 00	6 00	6 00	26 00	26 00	34 00
9	Gallman	70 00	55 85	600 00	475 90	10 00	13 50	53 00	43 60	66 00
10	Hazlehurst	100 00	72 50	800 00	580 09	15 00	15 00	76 00	76 00	95 00
11	Crystal Springs	100 00	100 00	800 00	800 00	15 00	15 00	76 00	76 00	96 00
12	Terry	52 00	42 00	500 00	398 00	9 00	9 00	40 00	40 00	50 00
13	Caseyville	70 00	62 50	570 00	508 50	10 00	14 15	53 00	50 00	66 00
14	Adams	65 00	65 00	675 00	675 00	10 00	10 00	50 00	50 00	62 00
15	Wesson	100 00	100 00	900 00	900 00	15 00	15 13	76 00	76 00	96 00
16	Beauregard	50 00	35 90	400 00	288 14	9 00	9 00	38 00	17 00	47 00
17	Providence	60 00	60 00	550 00	550 00	10 00	11 50	46 00	46 00	57 00
18	Bayou Pierre	50 00	48 15	400 00	339 45	9 00	9 90	38 00	37 00	47 00
19	Bogue Chitto	35 00	35 00	350 00	327 50	6 00	6 90	26 00	26 00	33 00
Total		1451 00	1341 90	12190 00	11235 61	221 00	232 08	1160 00	986 00	1380 00
Total last year		1450 00	1351 00	12125 00	10914 85	220 00	221 00	1100 00	897 30	1382 00
Increase		1 00		65 00	320 76		11 08		88 70	
Decrease			9 10							2 00

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1	Natchez, Jefferson Street.	187 00	187 00	1200 00	1200 00	25 00	25 00	130 00	130 00	173 00
2	Natchez, Wesley Chapel..	62 00	38 85	40 00	250 00	6 00	6 05	40 00	13 00	48 00
3	Washington	94 00	94 00	606 00	606 00	12 00	12 00	50 00	50 00	75 00
4	Fayette.....	125 00	114 40	8 00 00	752 45	17 00	17 00	80 00	80 00	113 00
5	Barlow	90 00	90 00	595 00	595 00	13 50	13 60	54 00	70 00	76 00
6	Roxie.....	90 00	71 85	590 00	476 60	11 00	11 00	50 00	30 00	7 00
7	Liberty	54 00	41 95	346 00	268 90	7 00	7 00	30 00	30 00	50 00
8	Gloster	101 00	101 00	650 00	650 00	13 00	13 00	60 00	60 00	90 00
9	Centerville	125 00	119 00	800 00	766 50	17 00	17 00	80 00	80 00	110 00
10	Wilkinson	62 00	40 65	403 00	264 35	7 00	7 00	35 00	21 00	50 00
11	Woodville	102 00	102 00	650 00	650 00	14 00	14 70	65 00	65 00	95 00
12	Percy Creek.....	71 00	71 00	450 00	450 00	8 00	10 95	40 00	40 00	56 00
13	Meadville.....	71 00	66 12	450 00	431 13	11 00	11 00	45 00	32 00	63 00
14	Harrison	105 00	102 00	700 00	651 50	14 00	14 00	65 00	65 00	90 00
15	Homochitto	35 00	23 00	300 00	205 00	5 00	5 00	30 00	20 00	37 00
	Total	1374 00	1262 82	8940 00	8217 43	180 50	184 30	854 00	786 00	1200 00
	Total last year	1320 00	1182 38	8825 00	7752 05	180 00	179 00	9 0 00	755 55	120 00
	Increase.....	54 00	80 44	115 00	465 38	50	5 30	30 45
	Decrease.....	46 00

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106 00	63 00	63 00	41 00	41 00	29 00	29 00	12 00	12 00	531 32	1926 60	1
106 00	63 00	63 00	41 00	41 00	29 00	14 00	12 00	6 00	202 95	1888 87	2
22 00	40 00	15 00	26 00	10 00	18 00	8 00	8 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	94 00	650 35	3
123 00	74 00	74 00	42 00	42 00	32 00	32 00	12 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	668 00	2938 85	4
53 00	40 00	25 00	26 00	13 00	18 00	9 00	4 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	1470 00	2229 00	5
96 00	57 00	57 00	38 00	38 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	693 00	2155 00	6
40 00	40 00	25 00	26 00	15 00	18 00	10 00	8 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	80 00	1320 00	7
34 00	20 00	20 00	14 00	14 00	9 00	9 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	30 00	467 00	8
54 00	40 00	33 00	26 00	21 80	18 00	14 80	8 00	7 15	.....	.....	.....	101 82	821 42	9
56 00	56 00	32 00	38 00	22 00	25 00	14 00	11 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	311 90	1185 49	10
96 00	57 00	57 00	38 00	38 00	25 00	25 00	11 00	11 00	.....	.....	.....	203 90	1595 75	11
50 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	13 00	13 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	200 00	829 00	12
50 00	40 00	20 00	26 00	20 00	18 00	10 00	8 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	110 00	780 15	13
62 00	38 00	38 00	25 00	25 00	17 00	17 00	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	185 00	1280 40	14
96 00	57 00	57 00	38 00	38 00	25 00	25 00	11 00	12 90	.....	.....	.....	305 50	2100 14	15
28 50	28 00	21 20	19 00	15 80	13 00	7 30	5 00	2 60	.....	.....	.....	51 70	492 34	16
57 00	35 00	35 00	23 00	23 00	16 00	16 00	4 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	115 75	918 25	17
43 00	28 00	23 00	19 00	14 00	13 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	38 25	965 40	18
33 00	20 00	20 00	14 00	14 00	9 00	9 00	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	25 55	601 37	19
1205 50	826 00	708 20	540 00	465 60	370 00	295 10	146 00	122 65	.....	.....	.....	5418 64	25045 38	
1245 60	624 00	461 50	534 00	367 00	345 00	221 80	150 00	94 33	4776 56	21151 42	
40 10	202 00	246 70	6 00	98 60	25 00	73 30	28 32	642 08	3893 96	
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173 00	85 00	85 00	50 00	50 00	45 00	45 00	19 00	19 00	1030 52	3667 52	1
48 00	32 00	9 00	18 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	5 00	157 30	634 20	2
75 00	40 00	40 00	22 00	22 00	18 00	18 00	8 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	500 00	1425 00	3
113 00	60 00	60 00	30 00	30 00	28 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	412 50	1536 10	4
93 00	40 00	48 00	23 00	23 00	18 00	18 00	8 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	233 35	1191 85	5
75 00	36 00	20 00	23 00	13 00	16 00	8 00	7 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	462 20	1174 65	6
50 00	28 00	28 00	13 00	13 00	12 00	12 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	73 81	529 66	7
102 00	45 00	45 00	26 00	26 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1205 35	8
110 00	58 00	58 00	33 00	33 00	22 00	22 00	12 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2979 90	9
50 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	9 00	13 00	7 50	5 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	417 40	10
95 00	45 00	45 00	28 00	28 00	24 00	24 00	11 00	11 00	.....	.....	221 00	300 15	1998 35	11
56 00	30 00	14 00	17 00	10 50	15 00	9 00	7 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	735 50	12
45 00	32 00	22 00	22 00	9 00	14 00	5 00	6 00	3 00	690 00	13
90 00	47 00	47 00	27 00	27 00	23 00	23 00	10 00	12 00	388 50	1420 00	14
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1221 00	501 00	406 00	371 00	264 75	340 00	223 70	98 00	57 00	5342 48	17833 04	
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1401 22	850 00	642 00	542 00	370 50	375 00	253 60	144 00	124 40	6834 14	27793 25	2
1200 00	650 00	650 00	384 00	338 00	298 00	247 35	134 00	122 00	6847 77	24280 59	3
1304 00	825 00	666 95	525 00	370 50	330 00	225 50	145 00	102 75	500 00	3822 62	21204 41	4
1362 43	825 00	875 25	540 00	513 60	370 00	376 00	151 00	152 00	14005 51	40577 22	5
1205 50	826 00	708 20	540 00	465 60	370 00	295 10	146 00	122 65	5418 64	25045 38	6
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